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My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find a copy of the letter addressed to Dr. Vaidya regarding Batas. The letter is meant for you also. Please take this letter along with the copy of the Headquarters' letter of Batas which I am attaching herewith and show it to the Manager of Hubli Batas and ask him to take the measurements of all those to whom shoes are to be given or for whom they are meant. Please request him also to send the measurements to the Calcutta Office saying that the shoes and the socks, etc. are to be sent to Ghataprabha in one consignment. The goods meant for Hubli will be sent by Ghataprabha after they receive them. One of us will take them and deliver them to you personally. Do not delay.

As I have written in Dr. Vaidya's letter I am writing to the Headquarters of the Batas to request their Manager to take measurements as they have done in the case of Belgaum.

Let me know what you do in this case.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

P.S. I have your letter dated the 20th which you wrote at Hubli on the day on which you went to Ghataprabha. I have also read your few lines written at the end of Dr. Vaidya's letter after you reached Ghataprabha. Thanks.

I do not know just exactly which of my letters you have received so far. Whatever you have written

is confusion. I have not understood anything therefrom. Write clearly and say which letter of which date has been received by you. I want you to keep a file of all the letters that you have received, practically all these letters are to be treated as official.

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Dr. N.S. Hardikar

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My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I am sending you herewith a copy of the letter I have received from the Batas in Calcutta. This copy is a copy of the letter addressed to you by them. It speaks for itself.

I hasten to send this copy to you for the simple reason that you must attend to it immediately and see that you get shoes and socks for all nurses old and new, male and female. I want the ward boys also to have them. Besides the ward boys if there are others who desire to use these shoes I would like measurements of those also to be taken by the Manager of Batas from Belgaum. Remember please that the nurses will possibly need two pairs of shoes a year and four pairs of socks. You have to calculate all that and then give your order to the Manager.

The shoes, etc. are to be sent to Ghataprabha direct from Calcutta. Hubli nurses old and new also need the same kind of shoes and socks. Their measurements also must be sent. Calcutta should send all the goods meant for Ghataprabha and Hubli to Ghataprabha itself. Hubli will take the goods from you after you receive them. I do not want the same to be sent directly to Hubli for the same reason that you do not want them to go to Belgaum. Someone like myself or Dr. Mahajan will take the required quantity from Ghataprabha to Hubli whenever they go there.

I am writing to the Calcutta Headquarters of Batas to write a similar letter to their Manager in Hubli. He should take the measurements of Hubli girls and send the same directly to Calcutta. That will save much time and worry on our part and on the part of the Batas also.

K.T.O.

I am sending a copy of this letter today to Dr. Mahajan so that she will approach the Manager of Batas in Hubli and show him my letter and also the copy of the letter of their Headquarters which is being sent to her along with that of mine.

It will be better if you ask your brother, Dr. Sripath Rao, at Belgaum to approach the Batas Manager and urge him to go to Ghataprabha at an early date for taking the measurements. You may either speak to him on phone or send a note along with the copy of the Calcutta letter to be shown to the Belgaum Manager.

Nothing more for the present.

Yours affectionately,

M.S.H

P.S. I have your letter of the 20th instant in which Dr. Mahajan also has scribbled a few lines. I am sorry to note that Doctors Sathe and Karmarkar were unable to go to Ghataprabha this time. I hope your work has not suffered. I have seen the copy of the letter written by you to Dr. Mrs. Bhatia. She has spoken to me about it. We must evolve a sign or else write the full name of the Institute as also the name of the Unitarian Service Committee on the ambulance. I hope it is getting ready. It must be put to use as quick as possible.

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Hot water bags	5	.15/- "	75
Old deficit to be cleared			6,000
		TOTAL	26,145

(Rupees twentysix thousand one hundred and forty-five)

For The Women's Aid Society,

Hon. Sec.,
22nd August, 1933.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
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24th August, 1955.

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Karnataka Health Institute,
BIJAPUR

Dr. N.S. Hardiker
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

24th August, 1955.

I am connected with the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha, District Belgaum. It runs a General Hospital and a T.B. Sanatorium with an accommodation for more than 100 patients.

2. This Institute began its work in 1955 and is slowly growing in strength. It is a charitable one. Suffering patients from the District of Belgaum and of the neighbouring districts do come there for treatment. Bombay experts in medicine and surgery, etc. do visit the Institute regularly every second month and attend to more serious patients and operate serious cases.

3. The total population of the Institute is about 400. Visitors come and go; doctors bring their patients and leave them with their relatives. They live with them and attend to their needs. Besides the regular 400 there is a floating population also.

4. We have to stand upon our own feet for all that we do to help the suffering humanity. We are trying to build there every department of modern medicine. We have a maternity home, E.N.T. and Eye Sections, Pathology and Gynaecology sections. All these are being handled by experts who come on regular days from their own towns and attend to their work. We have our own staff too.

5. We are now building up a library. It is not possible for us to spend money over it. Poor patients and their attendants need something to read. We want to give them light literature in Kannada, Marathi and English. Some of the Kannada and Marathi publishers have already sent their books free of charge to the Institute's library.

6. As I know you and your work personally, I request you to send a copy each of your publications to Dr. M.K. Vaidya, Chief Medical Officer, Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha and write a letter to him extending your help in this form. Personally, I will be very highly obliged to you if you do this at your earliest. I need not tell you that it is upon the generous help of people like you that we have to build private and public institutions in this manner. I depend on you.

7. Will you write to me a line to the above address and say just what books, how many and when you will send them to Dr. Vaidya?

Your brother,

(N. S. HARDIKER)
Administrator,
Karnatak Health Institute.

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10 Akbar Road
New Delhi
25.8.55.

My dear Doctor

How full report about your work at Bhatapratha to hand. Thanks. I am glad you had a talk with all at Bhatapratha. I am glad you have liked the lodging arrangements, the classroom the garden etc. You ought to have asked Dr. Balambhai and Dr. Sarabhai to join a visit to Ambarpith also and inspect the entire arrangements there. At least Dr. Balambhai ought to go. We do not mean to visit. He must take him there at least for a day. I have already written to him about submitting a short time work and did at Bhatapratha this time to the members of the Joint committee — Mrs. Datar and Sri and Mr. Devidas Gandhi. I have written accordingly to Dr. Sarabhai.

I had a cordial letter from the Health Minister [illegible] and the Leader. I am glad that it went. I am glad them in due course [illegible]

Leena is working in Siddapur as a
"Resident" since last one year. I do not believe
in horoscopes etc. but medicine says
it is a mental O.K.

Now is your health? Please do write.
I have received many letters,
including yours today. I hope you are keeping
the papers I sent you safe. If not ...
you should renovate and send back
with us about ...

Yours
Varadaraj

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Dr. S. Mahalingam M.B.B.S.

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th August, 1955

My dear Mathuradas,

I am sorry I have not written to you for some time. I did not want to write to you until I had received some information from the authorities concerned here regarding the Midwifery Training Centre and the adjustments to be made by us, in so far as the accounts are concerned. I have not yet been able to get necessary answers from them. I am waiting. I hope I will be in a positic to get everything straightened before the end of next week.

In the meantime I have been writing to Dr. Mahajan about the School and the work that I have done here for the same. She might have told you something about it. When she comes to you with this letter she will possibly speak to you about the work she did in Ghataprabha this time.

I am sure all repairs in the Hospital are over. I am also sure that you have seen them personally yourself and supervised the Hospital. I would like you and Mr. Madiman to take more interest in the running of the Hospital. After all you are doing good work to help the suffering humanity in general

K.T.O.

and women in particular. If you both take more interest in it you will be able to develop the Society and make it a still bigger one than what it is today. I need not tell you about this again and again.

I had written to Krishnaraj some time ago, but have not heard from him. I hope to get his reply next week. Have you heard from him? Are you in close touch with him? Please let me know.

I will write to you again after I get replies from the officers in the Health Ministry here.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

M.S. Handikar

Shri Mathuradas Jaeragjani,
Bharat Mills,
HUBLI

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
RAJYA SABHA

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th Aug., 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find a copy of the letter that I have addressed to Dr. Balankhe on the 24th of this month. Also a letter to Mr. Mathuradas is enclosed. This is not a copy. It is a letter in itself which you should hand over to him personally and discuss matters relating to the Hospital with him.

I have received Mary Dhawle's certificate and other allied papers. Also, I have received her sister's certificate. I am taking both of them to Miss Adranvala and will find out as to how both these girls would get their recognition. At this minute I do not think their certificates will be recognised. I do not know why, but that is my feeling.

I have heard from Dr. Vaidya as also from Dr. Balankhe. Bhimarao also writes regarding the loan. I have replied to him and I hope a loan of Rs.25,000/- will be taken for making further advance in the Institute.

Please let me know how your School is progressing. When I get

K.T.O.

the whole things straightened here I will write to you in detail as to what you should do there. ~~In case I leave~~

I have just received Yours letter of the 24th But Yours of the 24th has not reached me today. Possibly You have not written.

more again

Yours affk
Narayan

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

Rajya Sabha
27.6.55

My dear Dr. Mahajan

Dr. Mrs. Shamalakai will tell you everything about the interviews of yesterday. All told out of 58, 36 girls turned out and we have selected 22 out of them. 6 Kannada and 16 Marathi. We have take 8 or 9 more for Kannada section. For this purpose we are now writing to 20 girls to come to Hubli, Women's Hospital, on Sunday the 3rd at 3 P.M. There the interviews will take place. People to be interviewed should be (1) Umabai, (2) Indutai, (3) Shamalaka (4) Yourself. You should please inform the persons concerned about it. They will

then Keep their Sunday afternoon free for this work. Is that alright? Shamrao can discuss the whole thing with you. As far as I am concerned I will simply carry on the correspondence in the name of the K.H.I. Our letters will leave Ghatapratha tomorrow by mail.

Dr. Balankhe's aunt, an old lady of 75, expired (died) this morning. It is simply an old age that is all.

Dr. Vaidya returned from Bombay on Saturday morning mail. He went direct to Belgaum and is staying at Nargund Kar's. We came to know about it after he reached Belgaum. Until then we didn't know anything. He is now O.K.

Vatsala and other relatives are

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

27th August, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I am sending you herewith copies of two memos (1) regarding the grant of Rs.31,000/- which was sanctioned by the Health Ministry of the Govt. of India, but was not received by us and (2) the questions raised by us in order to get clarifications from the Health Ministry in so far as the expenditure on auxiliary nurse midwife training is concerned.

The Secretaries concerned have already attended to No.1 above. You will get the amount soon.

As regards No.2 above, I have discussed all these questions with a number of Officers of the Health Ministry. As I desired by me answers to these questions, I did not write to you anything about the discussions that were taking place here. Now I am in a position to say to you something about the answers which I will receive on Tuesday or Wednesday of the coming week at the latest.

In the meantime, however, I want you to get an idea of these answers. Hence I am sending you a copy. The following are the answers to all the 6 questions raised in my letter:

1. If the trainee leaves on account of her own fault within the first three months, she will have to reimburse the amount. If we, the Institute, (on behalf of the Government) ask her to go she need not pay. Then it is Government's responsibility.

2. Yes, the bond will have to be taken on a judicial paper with court fee stamps affixed on it. The value of the court fee stamp shall be for the

K.T.O.

entire amount that will be spent by the Government on the trainee's stipends. (This will be more clear when I receive the written reply).

3. The trainee shall have to sign the voucher for having received the stipend of Rs.50/- each month. You may explain everything to her regarding the expenditure you incur month after month.

4. You cannot make use of any saving from any item in the budget sent by the Government. If need be each case will have to be referred to the Health Ministry and permission sought.

5. An application for the appointment of a clerk is to be sent. They will take it up as a fresh item and will deal with it separately. They will have to allot other amount for that purpose.

6. We can dispense with the appointment of a Sister for the Women's Hospital. In her place we can appoint the Lady Doctor in question (Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat) and designate her as Superintendent of the School. She will be allowed private practice, provided the work of the School does not suffer.

These are the conclusions which we have come to after discussions. The same will be officially received. Until then it is better you do not take any action as such. However, when you do receive them from me you will please write yourself immediately and instruct the Joint Committe members of Hubli to make Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat's appointment.

Yours affectionately,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

27th August, 1955.

My dear Nimbkar,

Your letter dated the 22nd August. Thanks. I am sure Mr. Badakere has already attended to the question of typewriter meant for Chataprabha. If he has not already done so, please do urge him to attend to it immediately.

The Accounts Department of the K.H.I. needs a better type of man to handle the accounts. I must see that the accounts of the Institute are straightened up as quickly as possible, otherwise all the name and fame that we have earned so far will be tarnished. We have already decided to remove the present man and appoint another, but where is the "another" person? You have to give 'him' to us. I am led to believe that money spent over a first-class accountant is money earned. Therefore, even at a good salary I would like you to choose a man yourself and send him there with instructions to Dr. Vaidya. Let him take charge of the whole department of accounts. I am also of opinion that the auditor who is auditing our accounts for the last several years should be changed. Both the Accountant and the Auditor have not been able to give us a statement of account to our satisfaction. Hence the urgency of changing both and appointing others in their place. We had talked about it here when we met last at Delhi. You said that you would ask Mr. Badakere to go to and stay there for 3,4 days and attend to the accounts side. Am I right? I know very well that it is very difficult for you to spare Mr. Badakere from your Office, but in order to save an Institute of that nature, I am sure, you will see your way through to spare him for some time.

I am glad you have not forgotten the promise you gave me. I do not mind even if it is by the 15th of September that I get the copy in my hand. That also, I consider is a quick work.

I have written to Bhimarao and have said that you are trying to contact him at Belgaum. I have again urged him about the loan and I have said that he should write to you immediately and send you the necessary papers. In this connection I have written to Mr. Shankarrao Kirloskar and Mr. B.N. Kanguri for signing the security that is needed by the Bank. I am sure Mr. Bhimarao will write to you and you will get the necessary papers.

I am not sure as to just when I will leave Delhi for Bombay en route Chataprabha, but it will be most probably on the 7th of September after attending the Foriegn Affairs discussion in our House on the 6th. Anyway I will inform you of my reaching Bombay ~~much earlier than what I plan to leave.~~ Soon.

Yours affectionately,

M.

Dr. N.S. HARDIKER,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

27thAugust, 1955.

My dear Kulkarni,

I am sorry to learn that you are in bed, with high blood pressure and heart trouble. I am told that Dr. Vaidya has forced you to remain at Ghataprabha. I am glad to read it. Take rest and become more strong in order to be useful in social field.

I am told that only great men suffer from blood pressure and heart diseases. As you are suffering from the same disease now, I must call you a big man. All big men and leaders of thought have some times suffered from one or the other such disease. Some suffer from diabetis, some from heart disease, some from kidney trouble, some from dispepsia, and so on. You will be listed as Karnatak's big man who suffered from blood pressure and heart trouble. However.

You are to sign a security document from one of the banks in Belgaum which Bhimrao will take a loan for our Institute. We need money immediately in order to defray all our outstanding bills and also to undertake new ventures without which it is impossible to make any progress. Mr. Shankarrao and Mr. Kangoori, yourself, myself and one of others belonging to the Governing Council will have to sign the security. I am sure you will not deny the pleasure of affixing your signature on the security bond.

I am coming there in the first week of September. I do not know whether you will remain there until then. Whether you do or not, when I come I want you to be there and meet me. Will you do it?

With love to you,

Your brother,

N.S.H

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Dr. B.R. Kulkarni,
C/o Karnatak Health Instt.,

Dr. N.S. HARDIKER

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
August 27, 1955.

My dear Kangoori,

You have not written to me. I was awaiting for your letter. I am now writing to you and making enquiries about your health.

I am sure you are helping Mr. Bhimrao Potdar and Dr. Vaidya in helping the Institute, and its day to day affairs.

Just at present I have to draw your attention to the monetary needs of the Institute. We have to take a loan in order to meet all our expenses and to develop it further. You know we have been thinking of taking the loan. We must have at least Rs. 25,000 now. Mr. Bhimrao is making arrangements for the same. We have to sign a security. Nimbker, Shankerrao Kirlosker, B.R. Kulkarni, yourself and myself. I do not know whether the Bank still considers my signature of value. I have absolutely no objection to sign any bond or giving any security in the interest of the Institute to which we all belong. I have requested Mr. Bhimrao to have a talk about these matters, discuss the same with you thoroughly and take your signature on the bank papers. I am sending a copy of this letter to him for his perusal.

I am reaching Ghataprabha on the 9th by mail. I will stay there for four days and then go to Hubli for a stay of three days. Then I must return to Delhi to spend another fortnight here. I hope to see you at Ghataprabha during my stay and get your help in executing the plans that have already been undertaken.

Please write to me a line as soon as you get this letter.

Your brother,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Mr.B.N. Kangoori,
Kelker Bungalow,

August 27, 1955.

My dear Shankarrao,

I am here at Delhi attending the Parliament. I left Ghataprabha on the 9th of this month. I intend to go back to Ghataprabha on the 5th of September and return again to Delhi by about 18th.

The auxiliary nurses' and mid-wives' training is now going on at Ghataprabha and at Hubli. It is in full swing. Most of my attention was drawn for that when I was there last time. I am going to Ghataprabha and Hubli again in order to inspect the work that is going on and come with fresh facts and figures to be placed before the Health Ministry and the authorities who are dealing with the subject in the Ministry.

I want to know how you are. How is your health? Are you taking enough rest? Are you on diet? Please let me know by return of post.

You remember that we used to talk at Ghataprabha regarding taking a loan from the Belgaum Bank. We must take a loan of at least Rs.25,000 in order to meet all expenses and to further develop the various departments in view. Mr. Bhimrao Potdar has already approached the Bank and he wants security of at least four members of the Institute. Mr. Nimbker is willing to give the security. I am one, if at all the Bank considers me to be solvant; then Mr. Kangoori and Dr.B.R. Kulkarni. I want to ask you whether you will be one of us to sign the security form. If so, plea: do write to me as also to Mr. Bhimrao Potdar, BA, LL.B., Pleader, Ananthashayanagalli, Belgaum. He will then send you the necessary papers for your signature.

How is Mukundrao and Mrs. Shantabai? Whe: is Malkibai? Is she at Poona yet? Please tell

her that I have read the book that she has sent so kindly from Poona. I have referred to "Padaghavali". I have relished it. A book with new style. Very well written and has very well depicted the picture of the rise and fall of a village in Konkan.

With love to all,

Your brother,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Shri Shankerrao Tirlosker,
General Manager, Tirlosker Bros.,
Tirloskerwadi,
District South Satara.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th August, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I have wired to you today as follows:-

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Yours affectionately,

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More again,

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MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th August, 1955.

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D.O. No.1123PII/55
MINISTRY OF HEALTH
INDIA
NEW DELHI

DATED THE 30th August, 1955.
31st.

Dear Dr. Hardikar,

Please refer to your note dated the 16th August, 1955 which was handed over by you personally to Shri Pillai on the 25th August, 1955. The points raised by you were examined by us carefully and the replies to all the points are given below, seriatim:-

Point No. 1

If the alleged disqualifications of the trainees are as a result of the provisions of clauses (a), (b) and (c) of the model agreement, she and her surety in that case shall have to refund to the Government all monies paid to her and allowances incurred on her account in connection with the said training, according to the condition of the bond. In other cases, the question has to be decided on merit.

Point No. 2

It should be on a non-judicial stamped paper. Exact stamp value can be ascertained from the District Registrar when the bond is executed.

Point No. 3

(a) & (c) According to the procedure laid down by audit, the receipt for any payment is to be given by the recipient himself or herself. In view of this the Chief Medical Officer cannot be authorised to sign for having received the stipend on behalf of the nurses.

(b) Does not arise.

(d) - In this matter, the audit officer to whom the vouchers have to be produced for local audit may be consulted.

Point No. 4

For utilising the savings on one item for another, specific Government sanction is necessary.

Point No. 5

The Institute was given only a grant-in-aid and it was expected that they also would bear a part of the expenditure on the maintenance of the Institute. If, however, the Institute cannot for any special reason afford to maintain a clerk out of their own funds they may submit proposals to the Government of India, explaining their difficulty for consideration.

As already stated against point 4 above, the question of adjusting the budget by spending the surplus money for the upkeep of the office does not arise.

Point No. 6

If the Institute considers that the appoin ment of a L.C.P.S. Doctor in lieu of the Nurse-Midw will serve the interests of the trainees they may d so, provided the extra expenditure, if any, on this account is paid by the Institute.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(N.B. Chatterji)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker, M.P.,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

16th August, 1956.

AU [illegible] AND ITS TRAINEES AT CHAROTAR.
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1. The trainees are supposed to be examined three months after their admission in order to find out as to whether they are capable of being trained further in the training centre. If, unfortunately, any of the trainees are disqualified and are made to leave the school who should bear the expenses for them; the trainees or the Government? If the trainees are to bear the expenses do you add any clause in the bond that their guardians have to sign?

2. The guardians or parents of the trainees are supposed to sign a bond before the trainees are admitted in the training centre. Should such a bond be written on a Government stamped paper? [illegible] purpose of the guardian bond?

3. (a) Is the Chief Medical Officer of the Institute concerned paid for the trainee for having received a stipend of Rs.30/- from the Government? (b) It will first be considered as a voucher? (c) Can a cheque of Rs.30 be issued by the trainee herself? (d) If so, should the receipts for which the expenditure has been incurred by the Institute be produced by the voucher?

4. Has the Institute made use of any saving from any item of the budget to be used by the Government during any other item for the purpose of the training centre? If so, how should the voucher be made?

5. There is no provision of an office in the budget drafted by the Government for some of the provision has been made for a clerk. So run the school for two years without the assistance of a clerk and the necessary material for an office is difficult. Personally, I think some provision should be made for the same. If not, the Institute should be allowed to adjust the budget accordingly and spend necessary amount for the upkeep of an office.

6. Will it do, if we do not appoint a Sister who must necessarily be a nurse midwife? A Matron who is a nurse midwife already employed by the Hospital in Hubli and a Staff Nurse who will be appointed will look after the training centre. In place of a Sister, on the same salary, will the Government allow us to appoint a fullfledged L.C.P.S. Doctor with an experience of 15 years of not only private practice but also of a lecturer in the Midwifery School in the Lemon's Hospital, Hubli, as Superintendent? If she is allowed private practice she will give all her time and attention to the Training Centre and help us to build the character of the girls who are now undergoing training.

I would like to have replies to these questions in writing so that there will be no misunderstanding between the Institutes and the Government

N.S. Hardikar

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
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30th August, 1955.

My dear Miss Adranvala,

I want to make three requests to you. Please consider about the same and let me know your opinion.

1. I would like you to visit Ghataprabha and Hubli in order to inspect the working of the hospitals in those two places as also the training of Auxiliary Nurses and Midwives that is now going on there. It is my sincere desire that you should take an earliest opportunity to visit these two places so that you will be in a position to guide us in the matter of the training that is being given to the thirty trainees who are supposed to be employed after the full course is over.

2. I would like to get some literature on nurses and nursing. By "nurses" I mean the life story of those women who have served as first-class nurses in the world. Florence Nightinggale is of course the foremost of them. I would like our nurses to know some of the salient points from the life-story of those who have devoted their life for nursing ailing patients. It should be a guide to them. By "nursing" I mean the subject itself. Good books on this in English are available. I have seen some of them. We have purchased one or two good books for the Ghataprabha library. But is there no other literature on this subject in the regional languages of India? If so, do you know of any? Would you kindly let me have a list of them?

3. I want some of the girls from Karnatak who have become either nurses or midwives or health visitors to brighten their vision by going outside their own States not only in India but also to foreign countries. I have a few of them who will, if their vision is brightened and if more coaching is given to them, devote their entire life for the cause for which we are now striving. There are so many scholarships given to so many people. There must be some for Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors also. Generally I do not see any literature on this subject. You are in touch with such things. I want you to keep this in mind and help me to help those of the girls who are willing to prosecute their studies elsewhere besides their own States and brighten their vision and imagination.

You know Yamutai Kinaker who is now working as a Sister Tutor and Matron, etc. in the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. She is a nurse, midwife and health visitor and also has very good experience of teaching in a Midwifery School. I would like her to go either to U.K. or U.S.A., if not now after a year or so. There are other girls also who are poor and anxious to do this kind of work. Will you help them? Please do consider this sympathetically and let me know what you think of this.

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Hoping to hear from you soon,

Your brother,

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Adviser in Nursing,
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Dr. N.S. Hardiker

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30th August, 1955.

My dear Ghosh,

I had requested you to send literature on the Territorial Army and the National Volunteer Force. Thanks. I have received some literature which does not throw much light on the work that the New Committee which is already formed is supposed to do. I have received a copy of the Gazette notification sent by the Defence Department. What are the terms of references of this Committee. Will you please let me know?

Is there any separate Committee for the National Cadet Corps or does this Committee, of which I am now supposed to be a member, deal with that branch also?

When is the first meeting to be held? I ask this question, because I will be out of Delhi for at least 12 days from the 7th of September, 1955.

Please do write to me a line and oblige.

Your brother,

Shri B.B. Ghosh,
Joint Secretary,
Ministry of Defence,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

New Delhi
31.8.55

My dear Doctor Mahajan

Yours of the 29th. Also the ~~last of~~ register of Trainees that You have so quickly sent. Thanks. I leave from Dr Vaidya also I will give both of these to Smt. Durgabai on the 2nd when I meet her. The Canadian High Commission whom I met this afternoon with Dr. Bhatia will visit Jeolapratha sometime in January and see the working of the Ambulance given by Dr. Hilda Manorma. Miss Achantala will visit back the Institutions in the latter part of October. I have purchased 12 copies of Marathi

Copies of Furlough Rules and a few books for Bhalchandra Library from the Rodriguez Lane, Allahabad.

Do you want any. Please send me a list of books you require.

Yours sincerely,

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नाम Dr. D. Mahajan M.B.B.S

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS.

(RAILWAY BOARD.)

IMMEDIATE.

No.12-TG/55/MP/15. New Delhi, the 31-8-1955.

To

Shri N.S.Hardikar, M.P.,
10, Akber Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

Sub:- Punishments imposed on the T.T.Es of Hubli District for their failure to collect the excess fares from the ticketless travellers.

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 24.8.55 addressed to the Minister for Railways on the subject mentioned above and to state that the matter is receiving attention and a further communication will follow as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

M.V. Bhavnani

(M.V.Bhavnani)
Dy.Director, Traffic (Genl),
Railway Board.

DA:Nil.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

31st August, 1955.

11 Copies sent to Health Ministers

My dear brother,

I write in behalf of the Karnatak Health Institute. It runs a Tuberculosis Sanatorium and a General Hospital with medical, surgical, pathological, maternity, E.N.T. and other sections. It is also running a Nurses' Training Centre. The Institute is located at Chataprabha in the District of Belgaum. It has an independent colony of those who are connected with the Institute: members of the staff with their families, workers, patients, their attendants and their visitors. The population of this colony comes to about 400 besides the floating one.

2. We are running the Institute for the last 20 years. Slowly but surely it is attracting a number of patients and visitors from Karnataka as also from Maharashtra and Bombay. It is doing yeoman service in rendering help to the ailing needy.

3. I am connected with it as its Administrator. I am giving my spare time to help them build their Institution. We are now building a small library meant for all those who live there and come and spend some time with the patients and for those who come to enjoy the cellubrious climate of that place.

4. The Institute is not in a position to make a rapid progress, as it is financially not very sound. It has to stand on its own feet in order to get all that it wants to do. As such it is not in a position to spend money for building its library. Therefore, it seeks help and cooperation of generous friends like you.

5. I had written to a few publishers in Karnataka to send a copy each of their publications from the stock that they have in their possession and of books that they will be publishing in future. Some of them have sent a number of books. Others have promised to send in future.

6. I now approach you with the same appeal. I would like you very much to send to Dr. M.K. Vaidya, Chief Medical Officer, Karnatak Health Institute, Chataprabha, District Belgaum, a copy each of your publications free of cost to reach him at Chataprabha. It is not possible for me to make any selection from the lot that you have. I leave it to you to pick and choose and send the ones you choose to Dr. Vaidya. I am sure it is not too much to ask for such a small gift as this from you who has been serving the interests of Karnataka for the last so many years.

7. Will it be too wrong if I expect a reply from you to the above address? When you send the books please write to Dr. Vaidya and send a list of the books that you send to him. I shall appreciate it very much if you would act immediately and help us to build the library.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

N S Hardikar

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राज्य-परिषद्-सदस्य

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

1st September, 1955

My dear M. Mahajan

Herewith please find a copy of the replies I have received from the Ministry of Health to the questions raised by me. From them you will understand your exact position. You know now what to do in so far as the appointments and account books are concerned. However, if any point is not clear to you you should point out to me either immediately without delay or when I meet you in the second week of this month.

In so far as point No.6 is concerned you will go ahead with the appointment of Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat. She should be designated as Superintendent of the School where she is teaching. No Sister (or Sister Tutor), therefore, need be appointed. She has to work in place of a Sister. I am sure it is now clear to you.

As regards a clerk is concerned, I am now writing to the Secretary of the Health Ministry. I am requesting them to help us by giving the necessary grant for the up-keep of an office and also a clerk. I will give them the reason why we need this grant from the Government. I hope I will be able to get a reply from them within 2, 3 weeks.

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As I am leaving Delhi on the 7th morning the last letter that I should get from you is on the 6th. So unless you reply this letter immediately on the

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More later.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

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N.

Ist. Sept. 1955.

Dr. N.S.Hardikar, M.P,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir, Re:Requirement of footwear and socks for your Hospitals at Ghataprabha and Hubli.

We thank you for your letter dated 22.8.55 and regret the delay in replying the same.

We are pleased to inform you that our shopmanagers Mr. Nair at Belgaum and Mr. Koshy at Hubli have already been advised to visit both the above Institutions, as desired by you in your letter under reference.

In the meantime, we have already received an order from the manager of our Belgaum shop for 85 pairs of canvas shoes and 392 pairs socks for your Ghataprabha Hospital and the supply of the same is having our attention. To facilitate prompt delivery, requirements of your Hubli Institution we will arrange to supply through our Hubli shop.

With due consideration and as a special case to your personal request only the amount of discount has been increased to your above charitable Institutions on the supply exceeding 50 pairs at a time, from 10 to 15% and we hope you will find this 15% maximum discount given entirely upto your satisfaction.

Copy of the letter addressed to the Chief Medical Officer at Hubli Hospital is enclosed herewith for your kind information.

Thanking you and remaining always at your service,

Yours faithfully,

(L. Sanitser)

Manager

Encl:

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

1st September, 1955.

My dear Mrs. Durgabai,

As per your instructions I have secured the names of all the thirty trainees who are now undergoing Auxiliary Nurse-Midwife training at Ghataprabha and at Hubli. I am sending the same to you for your perusal and action.

I am sure you know that the nurses' training is given at Ghataprabha and the midwifery training is given at Hubli. Two batches thus have been prepared, one batch will remain at one place for one year and then they will exchange their centres. At Ghataprabha Dr. M.K. Vaidya, M.S., looks after the training, while at Hubli Dr. Miss S. Mahajan, M.B.B.S. looks after it. Appointments at both the places have been made and the training is in full swing now.

The list of trainees from Ghataprabha may not seem to be complete as the one from Hubli. Evidently they wanted to catch the mail that very day in order to send the list, so they might not have had any time to copy the list with full information. If you want it I will see that you get the same.

May I here request you to send some-body to both the places and inspect the work that is being carried on by them? When the Inspector or Inspectress goes there he or she will be in a position to meet the trainees and study their ability and calibre, which may help you to make the necessary selections for sending them to villages after they go through the course.

If you need any other information about those training centres I will be glad to furnish the same to you.

Your brother,

NSH

Shrimati Durgabai Deshmukh,
Chairman,
Central Social Welfare Board,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
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To Dr. Vaidya - Questions sent early - before the
Dr. Mahajan - with a copy Mir Questions asked

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

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1st October, 1955

My dear Col. Lakshmanan,

A friend of mine from Bombay whom I had requested to go to the Bombay A.G 's Office and find out about the payments of the bills which we had submitted to them has reported to me about his findings.

The bills about which I had requested are (1) Rs.7,500/- sanctioned from the Family Planning Account to the Women's Hospital in Hubli (2) Rs.31,000/- sanctioned for the training of Auxiliary Nurses and Midwives to the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. It is a long time that we have not received payments for these bills. Nothing was known until I made a reference to Mr. Pillai some time last month. Even though such a long time has passed we did not get the payment. Being anxious about it I started the enquiry through a friend of mine in Bombay. In his letter he writes to me as follows:-

> "With regard to the previous Bill for Rs.7,500/- and the Bill for Rs.31,000/- of Ghataprabha, I understand that a reference was made by the Accountant General, Bombay to the Accountant General, Central Revenue, New Delhi, regarding the signature of Col. Lakshmanan, since the A.G., Bombay, has not received attested copies of his signature from the A.G.C.R., New Delhi. The A.G., Bombay, cannot pay any bills unless the signatures of officers who sign such bills are sent to him duly attested by the A.G.C.R., New Delhi. From the A.G.'s file it appears that the A.G.C.R., New Delhi, had sent the papers to the Treasury Officer, New Delhi, from where th papers have again gone to the Director General of Health Services, New Delhi. You will, therefore, appreciate that the papers in this connection are now lying with Col. Lakshmanan and if you will only telephone him and request him to have the papers returned to the A.G., Bombay, through the usual channels along with his attested signature, I can arrange to get payment of these Bills immediately. The payment of these Bills is held up only due to lack of attested signatures of Col. Lakshmanan at A.G.'s Office, Bombay. Please, therefore, contact Col. Lakshmanan and arrange to have his specimen signatures sent to A.G., Bombay, duly attested to enable me to obtain payment."

Yesterday I tried to contact you over the phone, but as you were busy it was not possible for me to get in touch with you. However, I read the above quotation from my friend's letter to your P.A. as also to Shri N.B.Chatterjee, Deputy Secretary to the Health Ministry. Possibly they are trying to help me. However, I wanted to draw your personal attention to this delay caused possibly by the lack of attested signature of yourself. I would request you to please see that we get the money at the earliest moment. Please excuse me for troubling you even for such small things, but what can I do?

As I have spoken already about this matter to Mr. N.B. Chatterjee, I am sending a copy of the same to him also.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Your brother,

N.S. Hardiker

Col. C.K. Lakshmanan,
Director General of Health Services,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th September, 1955

(Copy)

My dear Adranvala,

I have your letter. Thanks.

Herewith please find two lists giving names and other details of the trainees who are now undergoing training under the Auxiliary Nurses and Midwives Training Scheme at Ghataprabha and Hubli. A copy each of these lists have been submitted to Mrs. Durgabai Deshmukh, Chairman, Central Social Welfare Board, at her request.

When you draft your own programme for Ghataprabha and Hubli please remember that I want you to give as much time as you can afford to each place and inspect the work that is going on there. Also, guide them and see the method of their keeping records, etc. I am asking you to do this for the simple reason that there should be full cooperation and coordination between the Institutes which undertake such training and the Government concerned which provide the necessary financial aid.

The Karnatak Health Institute has not yet received the amount of Rs.24,000/- which was sanctioned by your Ministry for the Auxiliary Training. The whole thing is still hanging in the balance. I do not know just when they will be in a position to get that amount.

I have gone through the list of books and magazines you have sent to me. I will try to get some of them for both the Institutes, as I am anxious to give the staff necessary literature on the subjects they teach.

I will be away from Delhi. Any information you wish to send to me may please be addressed to c/o Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, District Belgaum. I am returning to Delhi by about the 18th.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

N.S. Hardiker

Miss T.K. Adranvala,
Adviser in Nursing,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th September, 1955.

My dear Indiraji,

Shri S.V. Inamdar, the All-India Organiser of Congress Seva Dal, did go to the All India Radio to hear the tune of "Vandemataram" which was recorded by them, as instructed by you. This is an improvement upon the Shantiniketan tune, that is what the Radio people said. Shri Inamdar was informed that you have not heard the record given by the Congress Seva Dal people. It is our desire to see that you hear the Seva Dal record as well as the new record prepared by the All India Radio and then give your opinion. I think it is better if you can approve one of the tunes as early as possible and let Mr. Inamdar know before the end of this month, so that he would make arrangements for the singing of the song in that particular tune at the time of the ensuing session of the Congress.

2. There are a number of women workers in Karnataka. Some of them do belong to the Congress organisation and some do not. If at all you are touring in that Pradesh I would like you to meet even the non-Congress women workers who will be an asset even to the Congress. You possibly know Mrs. Umabai Kundapur. The other worker is Mrs. Lilawati Magadi. She is doing good work and is from the very beginning connected with the Congress committees. I think she is now organising a Congress Women's Organisation in Karnataka Pradesh. Before you go I would like you to write to both of them and get a complete list of the women workers from those four districts and have an idea of the work that they are doing now. I will also write to Mrs. Umabai Kundapur and request her to prepare ~~the said~~ list and send the same to you. This will help you to keep contact with the workers there.

3. I would like you to pay a visit to the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha in District Belgaum which is running a General Hospital and a Sanatorium along with a Maternity Home, Nurses' Training Centre and is also doing some work of the Social Welfare Board. If you can give some time to us I would like you to pay a visit to the villages where this work is going on. At Hubli, the Women's Hospital is also running a Maternity Home and a Training Centre for Nurses and Midwives. Most of the Kasturba Trust midwives from Karnataka were trained there and sent to villages by Mrs. Umabai Kundapur. I would like you to pay a visit to that Institution also if at all you come to Hubli.

I hope you will write to me a line in reply and oblige.

Your brother,

N.S.H.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi,
Prime Minister's House,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th September, 1955.

Dear Mr. Williams,

I am rather late in writing this letter to you. I was indeed glad to have had a talk with you about the Karnatak Health Institute of Chataprabha, District Belgaum, State of Bombay. It was so kind of you to have given me some of your valuable time. The information that I have already given to you about the Institute is, I know, not enough. I am, therefore, sending herewith a copy each of the pamphlets that have been published by the said Institute. The same would throw much light on the working of the hospitals which are being run by the Institute. I am going to Chataprabha now. I will send you some more literature after I reach that place. After my return by about the 17th or 18th of this month, I would like to meet you again and fix up the time of your visit to Chataprabha and Hubli where we are carrying on social welfare work.

Thanking you once again for the opportunity you gave me to have a talk with you,

Your brother,

N.S.H.

H.E. Mr. B.M. Williams,
High Commissioner for Canada,
4, Aurangzeb Road,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th September, 1955.

Dear Mr. Chatterjee,

May I ask you as to what you have done regarding the second half of the grant that you had sanctioned last year for the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. You had sanctioned then, I believe, Rs.75,000/-. Out of this we have received Rs.35,000/-. I was told that the remaining amount would be given to us some time this month. Will you kindly let me know whether this is feasible?

2. I had submitted a complete list of requirements of the Women's Hospital, Hubli, as demanded by your Office. In the covering letter to that I had requested for a grant of Rs.25,000/- for the institution. I have received a letter from you saying that my request is receiving the attention of your Ministry. Will you kindly let me know how far you have advanced in this case? I do not know whether you need any other information regarding the Women's Hospital. If so, will you kindly write to me and let me know just exactly what you want. I will be too glad to send you the same.

3. We have not yet received the amount of Rs.24,00/- meant for the Auxiliary Nurse Midwife training that is now going on in the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha and at the Women's Hospital in Hubli. We were told by the Accountant General, Bombay, that the Health Ministry of New Delhi had been referred to about the matter. I have already drawn your attention to the same. Will you kindly let me know as to when I should expect that amount? Thirtyseven days have already passed since the training has been started. We have incurred a huge expenditure at both the places and we are in need of money. Hence this request to expedite the matter.

I will be highly obliged to you if you would kindly write to me c/o Karnatak Health Insitute, Ghataprabha, District Belgaum, immediately and throw light on the points mentioned above.

Your brother,

NSH

Shri N.B. Chatterjee,
Deputy Secretary,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. HARDIKER
Member of Parliament
(Rajya Sabha)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.
(India)
6th September, 1955.

My dear Dr. Hitschmanova,

I have your letter of September 1, 1955. Thanks for the same.

I hasten to reply to the same as I am anxious to get rid of your anxiety about me and my cause. The cough is there. It will disappear along with me and not while I am living. It has come to stay. Then why should I worry about it? You too should not think about it. So long as it does not obstruct my activity, I do not care a pin for it. I cough and do not think about it after I am through coughing.

I have noted that you have decided to make a grant of 1,200 dollars to the Karnatak Health Institute to cover the running expenses of the U.S.C. donated van for one year. I am satisfied for the thought that prompted you to make this grant. In so far as the amount is concerned, how can I be satisfied? You know that money does not count in this world. It is the appreciation and love for the work that one does that count. I personally believe that if I serve humanity selflessly, the Giver is not going to keep quiet. When He begins to give where will I keep the gifts? Have I the place to keep them? So the best way is not to think of money but to go ahead with the work in hand. I am quite sure that I will never be wanting money when there are friends like you to appreciate and help.

We have planned to put the ambulance to work in October. Mahatma Gandhi's birthday falls on October 2, 1955. On that auspicious day we will begin to take the van out fully fitted for the work that we have contemplated to do. Whenever you are in a position to send spare tyres and spare wheels, do send them. Even for these we are not worried because we know that you will send them to us at your earliest moment.

I have seen your emblem. I will show it to my colleagues at Ghataprabha. If all of them approve it, I will certainly have it painted on the ambulance. The inscription will be in English, Hindi and Kannada. After the van is completely fitted and the inscription is painted on the van, I will write to you and let you know just exactly what we have done.

I know it is difficult for you to give me any programme of yours. I personally think that you will be in a position to come to India before summer time next year. When you decide, please let me know. Personally, I would like to arrange your tour programme in the south of India. I want you to see some of the lovely places in the south in order to get an idea of our nature here and also of India's old culture. What you have been doing now is simply to see the places where you have given some help from your organisation. I do not want you

to be content only with that. Please spend some time in seeing and enjoying nature also. I will be glad if you spend some more time at Hubli and at Ghataprabha and get us know more intimately than what you were able to do last time.

I will be glad to receive your new leaflets along with the few photographs that you are able to spare. I do not certainly expect any copy of the movie film nor of the colour slides. Whatever you can spare, please send me a copy each for our files.

The Chief Medical Officer of the Women's Hospital, Dr. Miss S. Mahajan, M.B.B.S., as also the Chief Medical Officer of the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, Dr. M.K. Vaidya, M.S., both of them, desire your remarks about their institutions in the Visitors' Book. You said you would send them later but you have possibly not had any time to do so. May I request you to type your remarks separately and send them to me? I will transfer the same to them after I receive your letter.

With lots of regards to you,

Your brother,

Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova,
Executive Director,
Unitarian Service Committee of Canada,
48, Sparks Street,
OTTAWA 4. Ont.

10, Akbar Road
New Delhi

Camp : Bombay
September 18, 1955

My dear Dr Vaidya,

Dr Balankhe's brother did not come to the V.T. station. Therefore, I had to keep the sterilizer in the cloak-room. After I reached home I telephoned M.Shah and Co. and asked them to take it from the cloak-room. I did send the cloak-room receipt to them immediately. I will make enquiries again before I leave to Delhi as to whether they have taken the sterilizer to their shop.

At poona I met Mr Kangoori and Mr V.T. Patel. They helped me to transfer the sterilizer from the Southern Railways to the Central. V. T. was in a jolly mood. Kangoori was to leave yesterday afternoon for Belgaum. He might be there already. He said that he would go to Ghataprabha with Mr Bhimarao Potdar during the next week, and help you to fix the barbed wire compound.

It is just possible that Balankhe's brother may turn up to-day. If he comes I will meet him and give him the bundle of books his brother has given. If not the same will be left here for him to be fetched.

I met Mrs. Umabai Kundapur yesterday. She said that the Social Welfare Board was willing to absorb all the 30 girls but they want more girls for Maharashtra. She made enquiries as to whether there were any Marathi knowing girls at Hubli and if so how many? When she returns to Hubli she will herself find it out. As far as my knowledge goes there were a number of Marathi

i.e. 20 of the total 30 shall be useful for Maharashtra and 10 for Karnatak. However, the whole thing is to be studied and then decided. I will ask Umabai to write to you before she starts for Hubli so that you may see her on the station and have a talk about this particular matter. Any way as soon as I see Mrs Durgabhai Deshmukh I will discuss this matter again with her and try to settle the number to be allotted to each province.

Herewith I am sending you a copy of the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Trust for the use of yourself and Vatsala. Please study it carefully and let me have your opinion about the curriculum. If you have any suggestions to make please do so. I will be awaiting the same.

With lots of love to all,

Yours affectionately,

10, Akbar Road
New Delhi

Camp: Bombay

Septr. 18, 1955

My dear daughter Kamala,

Your letter dated 18th and finished on the 27th of August reached my hand before I left Delhi for Hubli on September 7. I had gone to Ghataprabha and Hubli on leave as I had work there. As my leave has now expired I am returning to Delhi. I will be there tomorrow night. Until the 5th of October I will stay in Delhi, then return to Ghataprabha and Hubli. It is just possible that by the end of October I will be in Bangalore with Dr Keskar who goes there to inaugurate the All-India Radio station.

I was indeed glad to read your letter as also of Guru. Just as it is a pleasure to eat a delicious dish so it is to read your writing. I certainly want you to continue your writing without minding my physical idleness. Let me assure you that the members of my family are spread all over this vast land and they have not failed to attract me and my attention. With all my failings I am attached to them all and do try my level best to keep their interest in life bright. You are right when you doubt that others might steal my heart. But let me assure you that it is so big that it can absorb all and leave none. Your place is there. None can steal it; none can take it away. It is a reserved place and it shall remain there as long as life kindles in this mortal body. You have carved the place in my heart by your sweet love and affection, that a daughter alone knows the how of it. Please take it therefore whether

I write to you or not I do always think about you and you will never be forgotten. Though I may not be near you and the loving family, though I may seem to be far far away from all of you I want you to take it that I am near you. I am within you. The moment you think of me you are in my dream.

Yes, one must know how to earn his living. But please remember that it is not given to all to earn. Here I am. I have not earned a pie in my life. Though, unfortunately, I am getting today some money from the Parliament which I never craved for. It came, it goes. I am not worried about it. I do not think about it. Some one gives it; some others take it. After all, you must remember that we are born to do a particular thing in life. If I do not do a thing for which I am meant and take to some other work I will never be successful in it. That is my firm conviction. I have tried it in my life and I have utterly failed. My aim is to serve, to serve selflessly without expecting any results whatsoever. I am not supposed to be a legislator; I am not supposed to be a administrator; I cannot afford to be a big sahiti; I am not supposed to be a singer nor a dancer. I cannot do the work that an ordinary clerk in an office does or a labourer in a mill or a farmer on a farm does. I am good for nothing. I am only meant to servdee, serve those who need service and this service is such that it does not give you any fruit as such. I know it and therefore I do not care whether any one feeds me or not. One who created me has reserved my food for me. I am convinced of it. I do get it without asking. I know very well that when the Giver begins to give I have no place to keep His

gifts, so big shall be the gift of the Giver. It has happened in my life and I want to know why should it not happen in the life of Guru also. He is meant for a certain thing and that certain thing he is doing. Even if you try to drag him away from that work he cannot leave it, because the One who created him will force him to stick up to the work for which he is meant. So remember that it is not in your hands nor in anybody's hands to take away the so-called gift of the Giver to the person concerned. Guru may like me to leave the social field and force himself to be locked up in a mill in order to earn some living for himself and for his family. Let me tell you that it may not be possible for him to do so. The inner being of his will attract him again to the work which is his own.

I am not writing to Gur now. I will take another opportunity to reply to his letter though I have practically answered him in this very letter.

Be good, think of your Creator always. The blessings are His. I am only a medium. I am only a 'nimitta'. You want them. Guru wants them. I give them in plenty whatever the worth. But crave His blessings.

More again. Write to me to 10, Akbar Rd., New Delhi.

Yours affectionately,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

Camp: Bombay

September 18, 1955

My dear Sathe,

I am writing to you about the furniture we have purchased for the Women's Hospital in Hubli. The price of the same has to be settled yet. I would like you to do it at an early moment and help us in submitting the accounts to proper authorities.

In two different lots the Women's Hospital has taken this furniture. Once Dr Mahajan and Mr Devidas Madiman went to the godown at Hubli and took what they wanted. Secondly when there was an auction Messrs R. K. Shivade and B. F. Byali made a bid and took some more furniture for the use of the Women's Hospital, Hubli and the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha. Both the bidders have written to you on the 10th of this month and requested you to give your approval and sanction for the amount of the bid. I need not stress on that point.

I must, however, draw your attention to the fact that the Women's Hospital in Hubli as well as the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha are charitable institutions which have to stand on their own feet for all that is necessary to run the institutions efficiently and depend upon the donations they receive from the public. Such being the case, I appeal to you to sell the furniture at a very low cost and help us to help the suffering humanity in all possible manner.

I was in Hubli on the 12th but as I was in a hurry I could not meet you personally in order to settle the prices. I, therefore, left the whole thing to you and to

your generosity to settle the matter as you think fit and proper. In doing so you may please take the help of Dr Miss Mahajan and inform her of the decision you take.

I am running today to Delhi. I will not be back until the beginning of the second week of October. Is it possible for you to drop me a line in acknowledgment of this letter to my address given above.

With kind regards,

Your brother

10, Akbar Road
New Delhi

Camp: Bombay

September 18, 1955

My dear Shankararao,

Thank you for sending me a copy of the booklet on the life of Shri Shambhurao Jambhekar. Very nicely got up, indeed; very well written. I congratulate those who have written it.

I was in Ghataprabha for three days and at Hubli for 2 days. I am now returning to Delhi. By about the 10th of October I will again visit Ghataprabha and stay there for two or three days.

When I went to Hubli this time Ganguthai Shevde made enquiries about you and wanted me to tell her about your sickness. Whatever I knew I have told her. She was anxious to know as to when you go to Ghataprabha again. Evidently she wants to spend some time when you are there so that she might get more information fro you about so many things connected with Hubli and its neighbouring places. She enjoyed her stay at Ghataprabha when you were convalescing there.

The General Body of the Karnatak Health Institute will meet some time in the second week of October. If you are better then I would like you to be present at that meeting. We have to plan our future and take stock of the past. I hope you will make it convenient to go there and spend some time then.

I had spoken to you about the Karnatak Health Institute sign board. When Mr Padhye was at Ghataprabha along with Mr MukundarRo you requested him to send a design. He has not send anything so far. During the next three or four months, a number V.I.Ps like Dr Keskar,

Mrs Durgabhai Deshmukh, Mr T.T.Krishnamachari, Candaian High Commissioner, etc. are scheduled to visit the Institute. It is my desire to see that the sign board is put up before any one of them arrives. Unless you move in the matter personally I do not feel that we will be in a position to get it within the stipulated time. Will you, therefore, write to Mr Padhye and get the design made? You need not write to me about it. Between you and Dr Vaidya you can settle everything and then tell me as to when I should expect.

Please write to me to the above address and let me know how you are.

Your brother,

Shankararao Kirloskar
General Manager
Kirloskar Brothers
Kirloskarwadi, Dist. North Satara.

10, Akbar Road
New Delhi

Camp: Bombay

September 18, 1955

Dear brother,

Your letter dated 10/9/55 regarding 'Udyam' monthly. Thanks for the letter you wrote to Dr Vaidya of Ghataprabha. I am sure the Institute will appreciate your generosity. When I wrote to you I had in my mind the books which you have published so far as also your monthly. You have now spoken about the monthly only and nothing about the books you have published. I will appreciate it if you let me know whether it is possible for you to send a copy each of your books to the library of the Karnatak Healt Institute. Write to me to the above address

Your brother,

The Editor,
'Udyam'
Dharmapeth,
Nagpur.

10, Akbar Road
New Delhi

Camp: Bombay

September 18, 1955

My dear Channabasappa,

Your letter dated 13th was waiting for me here at Bombay . Thanks for the same.

I am sorry to learn that Swamiji was sick, but I am glad to learn at the same time that he is improving.

It is not possible for me to go to Bangalore just yet. But you know that Dr Keskar and myself are planning to visit Bangalore by the end of October. On the 2nd of November as it is planned today Bangalore radio station is to be opened. Dr Keskar will be there then. I too will accompany him. After Dr Keskar flies to Delhi or takes his train to Delhi I will move in the State. Until then please wait.

I was sorry to read that someone is carrying on anti-Bharat Seva Dal propaganda in Delhi. When I go there I will try to find out as to what is happening there. I will write to you after that.

I will be in Delhi until the 5th of October. Do write to me to 10, AkbarRoad.

Say what have you done about my stick. Are you going to give it to me or not. Be clear on that point. This is the last time I am asking you. I wont write to you about it again, nor will I trouble you.

I am told that the Kolhapur Maharaja is in Bangalore. Will you kindly find out his exact address at Bangalore and let me know. I want to write to him regarding the Karnatak Health Institute. If he is not at Bangalore he must be in Mysore or somewhere in the State of Mysore. Find it out from the higher officials.

I think the Home Department will be in a position to give you the necessary information about him.

More again after I hear from you,

Your brother,

Mr R.Chinnabasappa,
Bharat Seva Dal,
Nehru Nagar,
Bangalore.

My Dear Badakeri: 19-10-1955,

Yesterday I wired to you as follows:

" RECEIVED NO PAYMENTS YET. PLEASE MOVE ACCOUNTS OFFICER BOMBAY IMMEDIATELY WIRE "

On the 8th of this month, you told me on phone that "before the end of next week you will get your money". Unfortunate it is that neither money nor any intimation has come from Bombay. I do not know what the trouble is. I am sorry to trouble you again and again. But what can I do ? Please see that Rs.35,000/-, Rs.31,000/-, Rs. 15,000/- and Rs.7½,000/- all these four amounts are sent to me. One Institution gets Rs.66,000/- and the other gets 22½,000/-. In the hope of getting these amounts, we have gone on spending amounts taken on loan. We have to pay an interest which cannot be small; that is an additional burden to a poor Institution like ours. Please explain all these to the officers concerned and make them to move in the matter. Why not you meet the Accountant General himself and place all these facts before him ? You can do this on my behalf. Tell him that I have asked you to do so. Will you do it ?

When is Mr.Nimbkar going ? Or has gone already ? Is he going only to London or to contingental cities also? I would like to know. Give him my pranams if he is there.

Your brother,

To

Mr.S.R.Badakeri,
C/o.Consolidated Pneumatic Tools Ltd.,
Liberty Building,
Marine Lines,
Bombay.

October 21, 1955.

My Dear Chaterjee,

Here is a copy of the letter received by us from the Accountant General's office of Bombay. It speaks for itself.

I am sorry to state that though your office and the office of D.G.H.S., have been so attentive and are ready to help Institutions like the Karnatak Health Institute of Ghataprabha and Women's Hospital at Hubli, Bombay office is finding some difficulties in giving the sanctioned amounts. I realise that every thing must be done in a legal manner. But I do not understand the delay caused in attending to such matters as these which are so vital to the very life and growth of poor Institutions like those of ours. Pinning our hope in receiving the kind help that you offered to us we go on getting loans and spending the same on the given work to us. The loan mounts up; the interest is piled high. What to do? How to work? This dampens the energy and enthusiasm of man

The Accountant General's Office of Bombay has created the same difficulty in making the payment of Rs.15,000/- to the Women's Hospital. In solving the 35,000/- Rupees problem, you should at the same time attend to the Rs.15,000/- sanctioned also.

You will be surprised to read that we have not yet received the Rs.31,000/- amount sanctioned for the Auxiliary Nurses Midwives Training. What must I say about it ? To whom shall I go and appeal if not you and your boss ?

You will pardon me for writing this letter to you and drawing your attention to the difficulties that we are facing.

Please write to me to C/O. The Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, District Belgaum, Southern Railway.

Your Brother,

N.S.Hardikar

(N. S. Hardikar)

To

Mr.N.B.Chaterjee,
Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health,
Government of India, New Delhi.

October 21, 1955.

My Dear Badakere,

I have your letter of the 19th. I got it this morning.

Yesterday too I wired to you to see the Accountant General in my behalf, and requested you to attend to the payment of other amounts also.

We have this morning received a letter from Mr. Joshi, the Assistant Accountant General, written in his own hand. He has sent us a copy of the letter his office has addressed to New Delhi.

Please find herewith a copy of the letter that I have addressed to the Health Ministry, New Delhi. It speaks for itself. What more can I do except trouble you and others ?

Please address your answers to Dr.M.K.Vaidya. Note that I will not be here for a fortnight. Hence the request.

With kindest regards,

Your Brother,

To

Mr. S. R. Badakere,
C/o. The Consolidated Pneumatic
Tools Ltd.,
Liberty Building,
Marine Lines,
Bombay No.1.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

22nd September, 1955

My dear Chatterjee,

Thanks for your letter dated 30/31 August, 1955 in answer to the questions raised by me regarding some of the items involved in the Auxiliary Nurses/Midwives Training that is now being imparted by us at Chataprabha, Distt. Belgaum, and Hubli, District Dharwar.

I have discussed all the points covered in your letter with the Medical Officers of the Karnatak Health Institute and the Women's Hospital. All those points mentioned therein except one are clear.

In place of a Sister you have allowed us to make use of the services of a full fledged L.C.P.S. Doctor to work as Superintendent, "provided the extra expenditure, if any, is paid by the Institution". I want to assure you here that we will not ask the Government to give us any more grant on this account. But we do not intend to call the Lady Doctor appointed in place of the Sister as "Sister". We want to designate her as Superintendent. We would, therefore, request you to kindly give us permission to designate her as "Superintendent" and inform the offices concerned so that it will be easy for us to keep our accounts straight and clear.

Your brother,

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Shri N.B. Chatterjee,
Deputy Secretary,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

me to stay there even for a day.

I am glad you have consented to work as desired by Mr. Inamdar. Good for you. What else can I expect from you but 'Yes'?

Give my love to all, including Sushilabai.

Your brother,

(V.S. HARDIKAR)

Shri M.S. Palsavar,
Gopal Bhavan,
BOMBAY-28.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

22nd September, 1955.

My dear Yamu,

I was under the impression that you would write to me a detailed letter and tell me everything that is going on there. Evidently you had no time. Anyway I want you to get me informed of all the activities. Do spend an hour each twice a week and write a detailed letter each time giving me some idea of the progress that you are making in your own line and the progress in general of the Institute.

I want you to be in close contact of the girls, not only the trainees but also the staff nurses who are working in the wards. At the end of each month you should yourself be in a position to spot out minutely the defects and drawbacks as well as the good points in each of them and guide them individually. This work is very very important. I do not want you to attend only to the books and make your wards cram bookish knowledge. I have told you before that walk and talk is the best method to attract the attention of young girls. Unless you give your love to them and bestow your attention on them how can they return the same to you? Therefore please follow this method and see whether you yield any fruits or not. Personally I am convinced with this method to train youngsters. I have tried this method in the past and I am trying it even today. I had got success in it.

I want Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat to follow this method. You must exchange your thoughts with her. Very soon I will ask Dr. Vaidya to permit you to go to Hubli and stay there for 3 or 4 days in the company of Shyamalabai and study the method that she is following. If necessary, both of you together should evolve a new method of approach and write your own notes on the same. I want Shyamalabai also to come to Ghataprabha for 3 or 4 days and stay with you doing what you would do when you go to Hubli. In this manner you will come to know in advance the 15 girls at Hubli who are to come to Ghataprabha after a year and she will know the 15 girls at Ghataprabha who are to go to Hubli after a year.

Did you have a talk with Vimal again? Is she working as you instruct? Take work from her. Make her work and slowly train her up. I know she is a very mediocre girls, but if she is trained she will be of immense help to the Institute. Also you must not forget to take Shanta in your hand. She is more intelligent than Vimal. She has grasping ability and understands things well. So do catch hold of them and conscientiously try to give them good training. Take them to task if they do not behave properly. Ask Vimal and Shanta both to write to me and let me know week to week progress they make.

My Eczema is weeping. It is troubling me. I am bandaging my foot and leg. Can't help it. Write to me immediately.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

Ghataprabha,
22-10-1955.

My Dear Kulkarni:

I have your letter. Thanks.

I am glad you had a talk with Mr. Diwakar and his Letunants at Patna. I am sure you were happy there. Do not give me any thanks for whatever has been done for you at Patna. If I wouldn't have seen my own image in you I would never have done any thing for you. So, I did every thing for myself. I was selfish; isn't it ?

I am now on the move. I am leaving tonight for Cape Comerin via Mysore, Ooty, Coimbotore, Travancore. I will be returning by about the 5th of November. Anyway, letters written to me to the C/O. The Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha will reach me wherever I go. So, do write to me and let me know how is your work getting on.

If at any time you give new ideas to the workers of the Social Welfare Board or you send them any literature published by you, I want you to keep me also in mind and send a copy of the same to me always in order to make me more inteligent than what I am.

With lots of love to you,

Your Brother,

To

Mr. P.D.Kulkarni,
10/20, East Patel Nagar,
NEW DELHI.

Ghataprabha,
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NEW DELHI.

राज्य परिषद्-सदस्य

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

23rd September, 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

I have your letter of the 21st. Thanks. I am sorry there is no money. The creditors must certainly be troubling you. I am trying my level best to see that you get some money from here besides the amount that is due to you from Ghataprabha. The whole work is being hastened. What shall I do? Whatever is possible for me to do I do. Beyond that it is impossible for me to do anything. Yes, a person has to suffer, when he or she is fired with missionary zeal and spirit. We want to serve and serve at some sacrifice to ourselves. In doing so we have to suffer. There is no doubt about it. But what can you do? Once we take up a piece of work we must finish it and finish it as efficiently as we could.

Miss Adranvala will not go there in the month of October. She would like to go to Hubli and Ghataprabha at the end of December or in the beginning of January. I am trying to fix up the date. I will meet her again and get her programme drafted.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi's tour programme to Karnataka is being fixed from the 18th of October up to the 21st. The details are not yet known to me. I am trying to find them out. As no person responsible for the programme is here on the spot it has become impossible for me to lay my hands on the details. So I wait. I will let you know a little later about it. In the meantime I would like you to secure a list of the Women's organisations in Karnataka (four districts, Dharwar, Bijapur, Belgaum

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and Dharwar) from Mrs. Lilawati Magadi and have a talk with her about Indiraji's programme. It seems that she is drafting it. Umabai also will have a hand in it. Know the whole thing from Mrs. Lilawati Magadi and let me know.

I am glad you had a good programme on the 1st day of Ganapati Utsav. I am also glad to note that you had some members and their wives as also Lady Doctors in the City to witness the programme. It is always better to have such programmes and get our members interested in it. It is in this manner that we have to increase our contacts with the people and show them the work that we are doing at first hand.

I am glad to note that Mrs. Sudha Shevade is improving. Let Ramu go to the Press in place of Bhau. Bhau should be warned not to go thither until his wife gets better. I will write to you again.

Yours affectionately,

Nanaya

27.9.55

My dear Doctor Mahajan

I have yours of the 25th. Today, at 2 P.M. I got it. You said You were mailing it in the special box meant for mails going inwards to Belgaum to catch the flight. 25th is Sunday. There was no late fee stamp over the envelop. Even then the letter reached me on Tuesday. It took practically the same time as the train takes. It may be that this is the first time. They may not yet be up to date. They are trying. Within a week they may bring the mail within 16 hours. That is not bad I think. If not, 16 hours it may take 24. But the very next day we must be in a position to get our mail here from Hubli Dharwar and Belgaum. Do mail every day regularly for some time and then study. Now, Your first letter by air from Hubli has taken 48 hours to reach my hands at 10 Akbar Road.

Yesterday, I have written to you on full & sent a little to Bhau in Yours. Take 300/- rupees or as much as he can spare from him for Your school expenses. Show this letter to him. When You show the good

or not, he believes in You and as such he will do anything You say to him. Don't worry. You will get money. How is dear Sudha now? Have You received answer from Indu Hardikar? Is it necessary for you to write to her again? If needed do write. Will You? Shall also write. And ask her to go to Hubli at once. Love with to Shamala and Sudha also. Good night. More again.

Yours affly
Vasanthi

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To
Dr. S. Mahajan M.B.B.S.
Women Hospital
Hubli

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Dr. N.S. Hardikar.
राज्य-परिषद्-सदस्य

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

September 28, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Miss. Mary, your Matron, and also a copy of the letter addressed by Miss. Adranvala to the Madras Council, regarding the two girls - Mary Dhawale and Champa Bai Nimbalkar. This copy of Adranvala's letter ~~also~~ is either to be shown to Mary or given to her for her files. I want you to speak to her and ~~decide~~ as to whether she is willing to go to her Hassan Hospital for being trained as a full Nurse provided the Madras Council wants her and her sister to do it. I am expecting a reply from the Madras Council through Miss. Adranvala and as soon as I get it, I will let you, Mary and Champa know about it.

Anyway, it is in the interest of Mary and Champa that they take their training in Red Fern Hospital itself if they are allowed to do so. They know every one there and it will be easy for them to pick up every thing with the help of their own friends who have taught them in the past. If the training is taken by them they will be allowed to appear for their examination which will be nominal and then their certificates will bring them a bright future. Then it will be easy for them to move in the country and go anywhere for service. As it is, it is not possible for them to get into service anywhere in the country as a Nurse; because they do not possess a certificate which is necessary for registration as a Nurse.

I have written to Champa Bai also and sent the letter to Dr. Vaidya. I hope she too will take a similar decision and be ready to go to Hassan for further training. At the most, I think, it

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will take three months, but I cannot say just at this minute as to how the Madras Council views the whole thing. Anyway, we will wait. I want to see the two girls learn more and more in order to earn a good name and good money for themselves and for their family.

I have today received a card from Dr. Vaidya and letters from Vatsala and Uma. All are O.K. there.

Yesterday, I have recorded my speech in Kannada. It has been sent to Dharwar for use on October 2, 1955. The speech will be broadcast on Sunday the 2nd October at 7-30 P.M. from Dharwar Radio. If you and Gangu Tai want, you can hear it. Tell her also. More again.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr.Miss. S. Mahajan,
Womens' Hospital,
HUBLI.
(S. Railway)

REGISTERED A/D.

From

29th September, 1955.

Dr.N.S.Hardiker, M.P.,
President, Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital, Hubli,
10, Akbar Road,
NEW DELHI.

To

The Treasury Officer,
DHARWAR.

Dear Sir,

Sub: Grant-in-Aid to the Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital, Hubli.
Ref: Grant-in-Aid Bill No.FORM T.R.42 dated 22.9.55 for Rs.15,000/- signed by the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Health, New Delhi.

I am enclosing herewith the above Bill for Rs.15,000/- in favour of the Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital, Hubli, duly signed on an anna revenue stamp. This Bill has been received by me from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Health, New Delhi, under cover of his letter No.F.1-80/55-HI dated the 22nd instant.

On taking up the matter of encashing the Bill with the Office of the Accountant General, Bombay, I understand that this Bill should be submitted to you direct for payment to the above Hospital at Hubli. I also understand that they have received a copy of the above letter addressed to me by the Under Secretary to the Government of India along with specimen signatures of the Under Secretary duly attested and that they have already written to you in this connection, authorising you to pay this grant.

I believe you have already received this letter of authority from the Accountant General's Office, Bombay, for making payment or you will be receiving the same within a day or two. I shall be most obliged if you will arrange to pay this amount to the Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital at Hubli at your earliest possible convenience.

I would like to point out that the Hospital is in urgent need of funds and hence any assistance in expediting payment will be very much appreciated.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

N.S.Hardiker,
President, Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital, Hubli.

Encl:

CC: The Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital,
HUBLI:(S.Rly.)

Dear Sirs,

I have submitted this Bill in accordance with the instructions received from Dr.Hardiker. I would request you to please remind the Treasury Officer to pay this Bill if you do not receive payment within

7 days and also let me know the position so that I can take up the matter with the Accountant General, Bombay, and expedite payment.

Yours faithfully,

S.R.Badakere,
C/o.Consolidated Pneumatic Tool Co.Ltd.,
Liberty Building, 41/42, Marine Lines,
P.O.Box No.205, Bombay 1.

CC: Dr.N.S.Hardiker,
10, Akbar Road,
NEW DELHI.

My dear Dr.Hardiker,

This is in continuation of my yesterday's letter. I understand from the Accountant General's Office, Bombay, that they have today written to the Treasury Officer, Dharwar, authorising him to pay this bill. I have, therefore, submitted this Bill direct to the Treasury Officer, Dharwar, and am hoping that the payment will be received by the Hospital within the next 7 days.

You will please note that I have written this letter in your name and address as I possibly could not write in my name. I also thought that by writing this letter in your name the payment would be expedited.

I have also sent a copy to the Hospital with a request to follow up the matter and let me know if the payment is not received by them within the next 7 days.

In case you receive any letter from the Treasury Officer or from any Officer regarding this Bill, please send it to me in original so that I could deal with the matter for expediting payment.

With regard to the previous Bill for Rs.7,500/- and the Bill for Rs.31,000/- of Ghataprabha, I understand that a reference was made by the Accountant General, Bombay to the Accountant General, Central Revenue, New Delhi, regarding the signature of Col.Laxmanan, since the A.G., Bombay, has not received attested copies of his signature from the A.G.C.R., New Delhi. The A.G., Bombay, cannot pay any bills unless the signatures of officers who sign such bills are sent to him duly attested by the A.G.C.R., New Delhi. From the A.G.'s file it appears that the A.G.C.R.New Delhi had sent the papers to the Treasury Officer, New Delhi, from where the papers have again gone to the Director General of Health Services, New Delhi. You will, therefore, appreciate that the papers in this connection are now lying with Col.Laxmanan and if you will only telephone him and request him to have the papers returned to the A.G., Bombay, through the usual channels along with his attested signature, I can arrange to get payment of these Bills immediately. The payment of these Bills is held up only due to lack of attested signatures of Col.Laxmanan at A.G.'s Office, Bombay. Please, therefore, contact Col.Laxmanan and arrange to have his specimen signatures sent to A.G., Bombay, duly attested to enable me to obtain payment.

Thanking you and with kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(S.R.Badakere)

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

I have your letter dated 27-9-55. Thanks. This letter was written by you on the 27th. I get it on the 29th afternoon at about 5. That means full two days it has taken to travel from Hubli to Delhi. This is the usual time that our letters used to take before also to travel. That means your special bus carrying letters from Hubli to Belgaum for the aeroplane does not work. In the first letter also I wrote to you the same thing. In this letter also I am telling you the same thing. Possibly a few days more will be taken for the adjustment by the Postal Department. Then letters from Hubli may reach me within 24 hours. However, you try again and whenever you post your letters in the special box to be carried by the special bus to Belgaum please let me know. I will also mark and study.

Yes, Umabai's operation has taken place. Dr. Vaidya informed me. Also, I had received a letter from Umabai and Seetabai. I have replied to them both. Just today I got a card from Ramakant giving me the same news.

The dates of Mrs. Indira Gandhi's visit to Bijapur, Bagalkot, etc. will be changed. I do not believe that she can go to Bijapur on the 18th, Hubli on the 19th and ~~Bagalkot~~ Belgaum on the 20th. She may go later, as some urgent meetings have been called in New Delhi in which her presence is necessary. However, she is returning to Delhi on the 7th of October. I will have a talk with her on that day and will then finally know her Karnatak programme. You have written about the time-table of Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat. You say that she goes to the hospital at 6-45 in the morning and stays there for 2 hours until 8-45. After that she goes to the Hospital at 4 in the evening and leaves the same at 7. That means all told she is working there for 5 hours. I would like to suggest that she goes to the hospital in the afternoon at 3 instead of at 4. From 3 to 7 is the best period. Please see how it works. Consult her before you make the change.

I think when I go to Ghataprabha this time it will be better if the Joint Committee of the two hospitals ~~should also~~ meets there. Mrs. Indumati Sirur, Mr. Devadas Madiman, (Madiman yourself, Dr. Vaidya and myself should be there. We will take stock of the work done so far and plan our future. I am writing about this to Dr. Vaidya and asking him to call the meeting, if he approves. If you also approve, please write to him and request him to call the meeting. Mr. Madiman and Mrs. Indumati Sirur should be given enough time to adjust their programmes. The third meeting of the Joint Committee may be held at Hubli some time in the month of November or December.

Did you take money from Bhau? Do take it from him. I will give it to him, as soon as I find out my exact position. Do not unnecessarily suffer nor make the school suffer.

The Parliament adjourns sine die on the 1st evening. But I am not leaving Delhi for 5 or 6 days after that. Personally, I am anxious to go back ~~to~~ home, as I have found out

that the weather here does not suit me. My Eczema possibly is due to that. Also, I feel a little exhausted on account of the caugh. Hence, I am anxious to go back soon. However, as I have some work here, which I must finish, I will have to stay for a week at least after the adjournment of the Parliament. Anyway I will settle the dates in a day or two and will let you know the same.

I have already written to you about my Radio talk on Mahatma Gandhi's "Satya" and "Ahimsa" principle. It will be broadcast from Dharwar Radio on the second of October at 7.30 p.m. If you care to hear it be sitting near the Radio. Also tell Gangutai and Bija about it.

With love to all;

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

Dr. Miss S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
M[illegible] OF PARLIAMENT
(D[illegible])

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

September 30, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

You must have received a letter from Mr. Badakere of Bombay. He has written to you very clearly about Rs.15,000/- which the Indian Womens' Aid Society gets as contribution from the Health Ministry of New Delhi. I want you to telephone to Mr. Sathe to speak to the Treasury Officer, to hurry up with the payment.

I have written a letter to Mr. Sathe, Collector of Dharwar, a copy of the same is attached herewith for your information. It is clear. I do not want the cheque to be made to me, because I will not be in a position to leave Delhi for another eight days. Ask Mr. Sathe to see that the cheque is made payable to you or to the Secretary Mathuradas; whichever way you want. But do tell him clearly and get the amount.

I sent this finally but tomorrow I had a marked copy had a mistake. Do, I do not send it today.

Regarding the Rs.7,500/- sanctioned for the Family Planning and the Rs.31,000/- sanctioned for the Axillary Nurse-Midwife Training, correspondence is going on. Some mistake somewhere has made us suffer. I am at it. I hope, before I leave Delhi, I will be in a position to settle this matter. I know you are all worried and are troubled unnecessarily. What can I do? I am so sorry about it.

If the payment of Rs.15,000/- is in any way delayed, please write to Mr. S.R. Badakere immediately and send a copy of the same to me to No.10, Akbar Road. We will then attend to it

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Hope you will get in communication with Mr. Sathe immediately.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan
(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Womens' Hospital,
Hubli,
(S.Railway)

P.S.
What has Mr. Sathe done about the price of the Furniture? I had written to him about it. He has not replied. Has he at least attended to my letter and done the work?

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D.O.No.D.903-P(II)/55. MINISTRY OF HEALTH
INDIA.

NEW DELHI, dated the 30th September 1955.

Dear Dr. Hardiker,

Please refer to your d.o. letter dated the 22nd September, 1955, regarding the appointment of a full fledged L.C.P.S. doctor as Superintendent, Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataperbha, in lieu of one of the Sisters.

2. We have no objection to your suggestion provided that the Government of India are not required to pay any extra amount due to this change.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- N.B. Chatterji.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,
10, Akbar Road,
NEW DELHI.

true copy

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

सत्यमेव जयते

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 4, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Your letter of 1-10-1955 with 'Express Delivery stamps reached me on Monday night. I do not know why you wrote an express letter on Saturday. Did you mail it on Sunday or did you want your letter of Saturday to reach me quicker; I do not understand. Your letters are not clear at all.

Has my neice Indu Hardikar joined her duties? When did she come? I hope she will stick up and work with one mind.

I cannot say anything about Miss. Mary Dhawale just yet. Let us see what heppens. Whether she is willing to go to Red Fern Hospital for further training or not ~~ha~~ is to be considered later; not now. I will not talk about it also in this letter.

I hope you have spoken to Mr. Sathe, Collector of Dharwar about Rs.15,000/- about which Mr. Badakere has already written to you. If you have not spoken about it yet, please do speak to him and try to get the amount as quickly as possible. In case any difficulty arises about my personal signature, you will have to get it settled somehow with the help of Mr. Sathe himself or wait until I come.

Herewith I am sending to you a copy of the letter received from the Health Ministry, regarding the appointment of a full fledged L.C.P.S. Doctor as Superintendent in lieu of one of the Sisters. I have sent another copy to Dr. Vaidya for his information. Please note that it is the Karnatak Health Institute which is held responsible for the disbursement of the amount they give for training Auxiliary Midwives. It is they who make the necessary appointments, of course with the help and co-operation of the Governing Bodies concerned. This copy of the letter addressed to me by the Health Ministry authorises L.C.P.S. Doctor to sign her voucher as Superintendent and not as Sister.

Has Dr. Vaidya called a meeting of the Joint Committee at Ghataprabha? He has not given any indication to me yet. I am reminding him again today.

I am glad Bhau has given you money. Dr. Balankhe wrote to me saying that he was sending you Rs.500/-. Has he sent? In that case you need not return Bhau's money immediately until you get another instalment from Ghataprabha. You keep the amounts with you for your further needs. I will certainly account when I reach Hubli.

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Dr. Miss. Shamala Bai and after you go through it hand it over to her.

With love to all.

Yours affectionately

Narayan
(N.S. Hardikar

Miss. S. Mahajan,
Men's Hospital, HUBLI, (S. R

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

23rd September, 1955

My dear Cariappa,

May I take this opportunity to trouble you with a small matter? I am sure you will not mind it.

Attached herewith is the copy of an X-Ray Report of one Shri L.V. Inamdar. He is the brother of Shri S.V. Inamdar, the All-India Organiser of the Congress Seva Dal. He is a very poor boy and is at present undergoing treatment in Poona. He desires to be admitted in one of the sanatoriums near Nagpur. Would you kindly see that he is admitted in one of the sanatoriums near Nagpur? Being a very poor boy, it is needless for me to request you to see that only a very nominal rate is charged from him for the treatment that would be meted out to him. He has already had 38 Streptomysin injections and every day he is taking 12 Isopascal pills. Will you make it convenient to take immediate steps in this matter and try to help this poor boy?

A line in reply to the above address is solicited.

Your brother,

N.S.H.

Shri B.M. Cariappa,
Secretary,

T.B. Association,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

24th September, 1955

My dear Reverend Rugh,

Yours of September 22, 1955 along with the enclosures. Thanks.

I will attend to the contents of this letter on Monday and deal with it in the manner in which I have already told you. If you have anything else to say in this matter please let me know.

Do you know whether this Jaswantrai Agarwal is now? What is he doing? What is his address? In case I want to get in touch with him where will I find him? Who introduced this man to you? Was he recommended by someone or he came himself to your office and you gave him the job? Please throw some light on these points.

More again.

Your brother,

JNH

Rev. Donald E. Rugh,
Director, The N.C.C. of India,
17-B, Poorvi Marg,
Northern Extension Area,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th September, 1955

My dear Badakere,

As promised to you on Friday I am sending the accompanying for your handling. As I have already written to you, I am anxious to get money for the Women's Hospital, Hubli, as quickly as possible. The amount of Rs.7,500/- for family planning about which we wrote a month ago to the Accountant General has not also been received yet. I do not know what has happened to it. About this Rs.15,000/- I am sure, if you handle it carefully and immediately, I will be in a position to get the amount quickly.

A friend of mine by name Mr. B.G. Murdeshwar, D/6 Anandashram, Proctor Road, Bombay - 7, whose office telephone is 26977 is working in the Accountant General's Office as one of the high officials. He has promised me to help us in every matter concerning such demands. If you get in touch with him on the telephone during office hours and tell him about this particular matter, he will guide you. If necessary, these papers may be personally handed over to Mr. Murdeshwar. Instead of going here and there I think this is the better plan. Whatever the difficulties he will try and solve. I am writing to him a separate letter and asking him to get in touch with you on telephone. I have given him your telephone number. Please do not forget his name. Its is "Murdeshwar" and he is staying on Proctor Road. Please write to me at once as soon as you get this letter and let me know what action you have taken.

Have you attended to the typewriter? What further news from Ghataprabha? Where is your Boss?

I want the money from the Hubli Treasury. If not available in Hubli then from Dharwar Treasury, while Hubli Treasury clears.

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Dr. N.S. Hardikar

– 3 Akbar Road,
New Delhi
Tel. 45573

26th September, 1955

My dear Vasudev,

A few days ago it seems that you telephoned to Mr. S.V. Krishna Moorthy Rao, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, 10, Akbar Road, New Delhi, and asked him as to whether his P.A. was telephoning to the Hauz Qhaz Police Thana about one Dr. Ram Swarup. The Deputy Chairman, not knowing anything about the telephones, told to you that his P.A. was not in the habit of telephoning. I was sitting just near him when he was answering you. I did not hear the whole conversation. So as soon as his P.A. came I made enquiries about the telephone call that I had asked him to make and he told me that he was not successful in getting any reply from the Police Thana. Then I remembered your call to the Deputy Chairman. So immediately I telephoned to your office to correct the mistake. As you were not there I spoke to Mr. Brij ~~Bhushan~~, your General Secretary, and told him about the mistake and said that under my instructions the P.A. had telephoned to the Thana. It is about the brother of the driver of the Deputy Chairman. I want you to know that I am also living in 10, Akbar Road, with Mr. Krishna Moorthy Rao and I am practically a member of the family. So the P.A. of the Deputy Chairman attends to some of my work during his spare time. As I said above, he has done this work as was instructed. Evidently after you got the answer from the Deputy Chairman you have telephoned to the Police Thana that the P.A. was not responsible for the calls. They might have thought that they were fictitious. This is wrong. I want you to correct it also. I am sorry for this misunderstanding but we have to rectify the mistake.

I had written a letter to the Excis Commissioner about Dr. Ram Swaroop nearly a month ago. After this letter some other things happend in the family of the Driver's brother and therefore I wanted from the Police about the trouble that he was having. Hence the P.A. was ringing them.

Now I am sending the said Dr. Swaroop the brother of the Driver of the Deputy Chairman to you to narrate the entire trouble to you and place before you his difficulties. I want you to help him by speaking to the police who it seems are troubling him. I want you to attend to this immediately as somehow due to misunderstanding the man concerned is suffering. Will you help him. Please do this much for me and write to me immediately as to what you do.

I had requested Mr. Govardhan to see you and speak to you about this, but he has failed to see you. Also I had telephoned to your office 2 or 3 times and wanted to speak to you personally on telephone, but I could not get you. Therefore I am writing this letter to you and sending the man. Please attend to this.

Your brother,

N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th September, 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

I have your letter of Saturday. Thanks. I am sorry I have not written to you for the last two days. It was not possible for me to do so.

I know your worries about money. I will try and give you some money to defray the expenses that you have incurred on account of the School. I will ask somebody to pay you. I know I have got to do it. The amount of Rs.31,000/- sanctioned for the Auxiliary Nurse/Midfe training may be received by Dr. Vaidya very soon. As soon as he gets it he will certainly, without any delay, send a portion of it to you. Until then let us go on arranging ourselves.

I have received a letter from Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat. I am glad she has spoken in that strain. I am also glad to note that she is paying attention to the Nurses' Training more than what she did in the past. I want her to ~~may~~ spend her all energies in it and be in a position to train all the 15 girls in such a manner that none of them will be sent away from us disappointed. We need the services of one and all and the services must be such that discipline and efficiency must not be lacking.

I want to break one news to you. Mr. Hanuma Guttal and Miss Chandrika Rao are now engaged. The announcement of their engagement was made yesterday in a party held at 10, Akbar Road. Dr. Radhakrishnan, Mr. & Mrs. Mavlankar, Ananthashayanam Ayyangar, Karmarkars, Datters, Reddies and Mallians and others were present. They gave their blessings. The date and place of the marriage is yet to be settled. Durga also was in the party with his P.S. Srinivasan. Tell Rama about it.

I have not received any letter from Dr. Vaidya for the last four days nor has Dr. Balankhe written. I am writing to them both today. I will write to Shyamalabai also in a day or two.

Miss Adranvala will not be going to Ghataprabha or Hubli in the month of October. She had decided to go to Ghataprabha and Hubli in the latter part of December or in the 1st week of January. Until then you have time to bring your school up-to-date. I have written to that effect to Dr. Vaidya also. I cannot give you programmes of other visitors, as yet everything is fluid. When the whole thing ripens I will write to you. I do not know just exactly when I will arrive at Hubli. It may be in the second week of October, but then much depends upon the programme that we draft of the others. Dr. Keskar is going thither. So I am waiting for his programme.

I am glad to read that Sudha is improving. I hope Bhau is attending to her. I had received a card from him

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two days ago. I am expecting his letter today or at the latest by tomorrow.

Nothing more for the present.

Yours affectionately,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th September, 1955

My dear Yamu,

I left Ghataprabha on the 16th night. Today is the 26th. During this period I expected a few lines from you regarding the work that you are doing. I also thought that you may reply to my last letter.

How is your work coming along? Have you taken the 15th girl? How is she; up to the mark? I hope you will have to spend a little more time with her and bring her up-to-date in her studies.

Are you attending to the arrangements to be made in the Nurses' quarters, as decided? When I was there I wanted to finish them, but as those three quarters were to be whitewashed first I thought that we should not move the cots, etc. and keep them there. Now that so many days have passed, I am sure you have finished that work and are ready to be inspected by the officers concerned. If you have not done any work towards that end, I would like you to finish it as quick as possible. Don't delay. In making the necessary arrangements there I would like you to informally consult the inmates and ask them about their needs. You may give all the facilities that they need or not, but consultation always helps. Hence the suggestion.

How is my garden coming along? Are they watering it? Has Mantri fenced it? If not already fenced, please do ask him in my behalf or request Dr. Vaidya to speak to Mantri and get it fenced quickly. I do not want the labour of those three girls to be wasted. I want the vegetables to be eaten and digested, if not by me, at least by you and the doctors.

Have the Bata Shoes come? Did you not order shoes for other nurses and ward boys and members of the staff? I think that you did not give any order for shoes for others except the nurses. Is it correct? Even now it would be better if Dr. Vaidya tries to get shoes for the others also, if they need. They will pay the price. If not, the same may be deducted from their salaries. My only point is that if it is done they will get the shoes cheap by some annas at least. That will benefit them.

How are the studies coming? How much portion have you finished and how much portion others have finished?

If you need any books or anything else from Delhi, I want you to write now only. I will not be in Delhi after the 6th or 7th of October. Therefore take steps from now on. Are you not writing to your aunt? She says that she has not received any letter from Ghataprabha.

My Eczema is troubling me. It has not stopp d weeping. It is on the right hand and left knee. So I have to be a dependant upon others for some service at least

More later. Write to me.

Yours affectionately,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th September, 1955.

My dear Dr. Balankhe,

I need not write to you again about the members of our staff who are living in the Glass Factory chawls. I have expressed my anxious thoughts in one of my last letters to you. When I was there last time I spoke about it to Shrimati Vatsala and I had asked her to do social work there. I do not know what she has done; whether she has taken it or not. I will write to her and find out. But I would like you to make enquiries about it without wasting much of your time over that work. You can entrust the same to Mantri and go on asking him about it. XXXXX

I am worried about the kitchen and its management. It is you and you alone who can put it right and straight. I do not want you to depend upon any one of us for even our advice and go ahead in a dictatorial manner to make necessary improvements. However, in doing so you must remember that no rash action should be taken. I have a feeling that we are wasting much of our money on the canteen. There is not only waste, but curruption in it. Both of these must be stopped and that can be done by exercising a very strong hand. Unfortunately, the person whom we asked to supervise the affairs of the canteen has not been doing his rightful duties. He has been very negligent in the matter. Why then should we entertain? That question arises. Consult Dr. Vaidya and take necessary action in this matter. No doubt, as I have said before a number of times, you should pay your attention to this particular job only besides your medical and surgical duties. I do not care what happens to the other things. Depend upon those to whom you entrust the other departments and only let your eyes guide them.

How is the school going on? I am asking them to attend to all details regarding the nurses staff including ward boys and to the nursing school. I am holding her responsible, with the permission of you both, for this particular job. I am sure she is capable of handling it. It is better to give a free hand to her in this matter but guide her every now and then. That is the only way to train such capable persons.

I know very well that you and Dr. Vaidya are worried about money. You have not received the 31,000, nor have you received the 35,000. Dr. Mahajan is pressing me for money. Her plight is awfull. I have promised her some loan. I have already written to Hubli to give her some loan for some time to tide over the present difficulties. I am sure you will be in a position to get the 31,000 some time before the end of this month. The Officers here have taken action immediately after I came. I wonder why these things delay in Bombay. But what to do. I am at a loss to do anything by sitting here at this distance. However, we have to face the difficulties and go ahead with the work without caring for them. How is the work of the building going on? Have you taken up the garage work simultaneously? Hardiker's house and the garage must first be finished. Mr. Bhimarao has promised me the house before Diwali. I hope it will be ready. But the question is of the roof. Has it been settled? I am not anxious to know the "how" of it. I am only concerned with getting the house ready. Had Bhimarao come there? When? I am glad the tele-

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phone had been installed. We have to be careful in using it. Otherwise the bills will mount. What about electricity? Have you received any reply from their office? Mr. Nimbker had written to the Chief Engineer. I do not know whether he has received any reply from him. Please do write to me in detail and let me know how things are.

My love to you and to all the others.

Yours brother,

MSK

Dr. G.T. Balankhe, M.S.,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA (Distt. Belgaum)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

26th September, 1955

My dear Mr. Williams,

On the 6th of this month, just before I left for the South, I had addressed you a letter and sent a copy each of two different pamphlets on the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha, District Belgaum, State of Bombay. I do not know whether you have received that letter and the pamphlets. Also, I had asked the Chief Medical Officer of the Health Institute to send you some more leaflets to your address. Have you received them?

I am here for the last 8 days. I will be staying in Delhi up to the 7th of October, 1955. Have you time? Shall we meet again? Please let me know.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

N.S.H.

H.E. Mr. B.M. Williams,
Action High Commissioner,
Canada High Commission,
4, Aurangzeb Road,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

September 28, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Miss. Mary, your Matron, and also a copy of the letter addressed by Miss. Adranvala to the Madras Council, regarding the two girls - Mary Dhawale and Champa Bai Nimbalkar. This copy of Adranvala's letter is either to be shown to Mary or given to her for her files. I want you to speak to her and decide as to whether she is willing to go to her Hassan Hospital for being trained as a full Nurse provided the Madras Council wants her and her sister to do it. I am expecting a reply from the Madras Council through Miss. Adranvala and as soon as I get it, I will let you, Mary and Champa know about it.

Anyway, it is in the interest of Mary and Champa that they take their training in Red Fern Hospital itself if they are allowed to do so. They know every one there and it will be easy for them to pick up every thing with the help of their own friends who have taught them in the past. If the training is taken by them they will be allowed to appear for their examination which will be nominal and then their certificates will bring them a bright future. Then it will be easy for them to move in the country and go anywhere for services. As it is, it is not possible for them to get into service anywhere in the country as a Nurse; because they do not possess a certificate which is necessary for registration as a Nurse.

I have written to Champa Bai also and sent the a letter to Dr. Vaidya. I hope she too will take a similar decision and be ready to go to Hassan for further training. At the most, I think, it

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will take three months, but I cannot say just at this minute as to how the Madras Council view the whole thing. Anyway we will wait. I went to see the two girls learn more and more in order to earn a good name and good money for themselves and for their family.

I have today received a card from Dr. Vaidya and letters from Vatsala and Vimu. All are O.K. there.

Yesterday I have recorded my speech in Kannada. It has been sent to Dharwar for use on October 2, 1955. The speech will be broadcast on Sunday the 2nd October at 7-30 P.M. from Dharwar Radio. If you and Gangu Tai want, you can hear it. Tell her also. More again.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan
(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr.Miss. S. Mahajan,
Womens' Hospital,
HUBLI.
(S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

28th September, 1955

My dear T.T.K.,

Shall I remind you of the conversation that we had about your visit to Ghataprabha and Hubli? When will you go thither? You said November, near about Diwali would suit you. Shall I take it as final? Will you fix the dates? Will you kindly let me know as to how many days you would stay there? I am anxious to take you that side and show you what little work we are doing as social workers. I want you to know that I am not a politician. I am only a volunteer and as a volunteer I request you to encourage those who are now in the field of social science. Please do write to me a line.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

Shri T.T. Krishnamachari,
Minister for Commerce & Industry and
Iron and Steel,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

28th September, 1955

My dear Champa,

I am writing to you in English, because I want you to read it and understand it. I want to find out your knowledge of English. I want you also to reply to me in English.

I am sending you herewith a copy of the letter that has been written to the Chief Medical Officer of the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, by Miss Adranvala, Secretary of the Indian Nursing Council. The letter speaks for itself. What do you say? Have you a mind to go to Redfern Hospital again and learn there if the Madras Council wants you to do it? In that case you will not need to spend more than three months at Hassan. I am waiting to hear from Madras. In the meantime you must decide as to what you want to do and let Dr. Vaidya and me know. I am writing similarly to Mary. If both of you get yourselves registered as nurses in Bombay your future will be more bright. Hence I am trying.

In the meantime I want you to do your work very carefully and learn while you work. Your Matron and both the Doctors will help you to understand things as they are and teach you, provided you ask them questions and show your willingness ~~to them~~. I need not tell you about it.

Write to me immediately to the address given above. Don't delay; ~~because~~ I will not be here after the 5th of October. I am coming back. If I get your letter before I leave I will have a talk with Miss Adranvala again and decide about the future of you both.

Yours
NBV

Mrs. Champabai Nimbalkar,
Nurse, Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

28th September, 1955

My dear Mary,

I am writing to you in English purposely. I want to test your knowledge in English. I want you to reply to me in English.

I am sending you herewith a copy of the letter that has been addressed by Miss Adranvala, Secretary of the Indian Nursing Council. The letter speaks for itself. It is regarding you and your sister, Champa. Are you willing to go to Redfern Hospital again and get yourselves trained further as a nurse? I want you both to be good efficient nurses so that your future will be bright. I hope Dr. Miss Mahajan will give you leave for a few months. At the most I think you may have to go for three months. But we will see what the Madras Council says. I am waiting to hear from them.

If you write to me immediately, telling me whether you are willing to go back to Redfern Hospital or not, I will be in a position to talk with Miss Adranvala before I leave Delhi for Ghataprabha. Please do not waste any time. Consult Dr. Mahajan and decide and let me know.

I hope you are doing good work. Be careful and work hard. Don't waste your time in cinemas and running after your would-be husband. Pay more attention to the girls and take instructions from Dr. Mrs. Shamalabai Bhagwat and also Dr. Mahajan.

With love,

Yours

Miss Mary Dhawle,
Matron,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

28th September, 1955

My dear Jagjivanramji,

May I remind you of the conversation that we had in the Central Hall of the Parliament House. I requested you to come to Hubli and open the Post Office building which is now under construction. I wanted you to open it on the 26th of January, 1956. But, as you felt it would be impossible for you to come there at that time, you suggested that it would be a little later; possibly before the Budget Session of 1956 begins. Am I correct? Is it possible for you to fix up the date and let me know? I am anxious to inform about the same to the people at Hubli, so that they will be ready to receive you.

I hope you will reply to me as early as you can.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

NSH

Shri Jagjivan Ram,
Minister of Communications,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

28th September, 1955

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I have your card and a letter from Vatsala. Yamu too has written. I will answer Vatsala and Yamu separately. I have a card from Manali. Your advice to him was a tonic

Herewith please find a copy of a letter, addressed by Miss Adranvala. She has already sent you a copy. You must have seen it. I am sending this copy for Champabai. Please do hand over the accompanying two letters, one to Miss Shanta Savant and the other to Mrs. Champabai Nimbalkar. I am writing to Umabai also give her the letter. Read all of them before you hand them over to the concerned ladies.

I am glad you have sent the bill for Rs.35,000/- to Bombay. I have sent the Rs.15,000/- bill to Shri Badakere and have written to him to attend to it. I hope you will be seen getting money from Bombay. Dr. Mahajan is worried about money. I have written to her and have asked her to take a loan from my office. I hope she will. I am glad to note that Umabai is operated. I do not know just exactly how many days she will stay in Ghataprabha. Please give her my pranams and also to Sitabai Golikeri.

More again.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

On Sunday, Oct 2, 1955 at 7.30 P.M. my speech in Kannada will be broadcast by the Dharwar Radio. It is on Amagyoti — "Truth" and "Ahimsa" — the two principles of Mahatma Gandhi. —

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955

My dear Miss Adranvala,

I have your letter regarding Miss Mary Dhawle of Hubli and Mrs. Champabai Nimbalkar of Ghataprabha. Thank you for taking necessary step for getting their training recognised by the Madras Nursing and Midwifery Council.

As we have already discussed, I would like you to pay a visit to Hubli and Ghataprabha some time after the next Session of the Parliament is adjourned on or before the 23rd of December, 1955. That time will be more convenient for me and I hope it will be so to you also. If you allow me to be more definite I will say that you should give us three days after the 27th of December, say from the 27th up to the 31st you should fix the programme to the South.

I want you to spend one full day at Ghataprabha and another day at Hubli. I am very anxious to get your views and your suggestions regarding the work that we are doing in those two places. Your inspection will help us. The girls who are now under training in both the places will get encouragement at your hands and the staff will get your guidance. Therefore I urge you to give me two days without fail. I hope you will write to the hi her authorities now only and be in a position to fix your programme finally. That will help me and allow our staff in Ghataprabha and Hubli to make necessary arrangements to receive you.

Hope you will acknowledge this letter and oblige.

Your brother,

Miss T.K. Adranvala,
Adviser in Nursing,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955

My dear Pantji,

I am told that you are going to Dharwar to deliver the Convocation Address of the Karnatak University. It seems that you are scheduled to go there in the month of November, 1955.

I come from the District of Dharwar. Hubli is my home town. It is a Tehsil Headquarter in the District of Dharwar. I am glad, therefore, to hear that you are visiting my home town also. I welcome you there.

In my State I am connected with two Medical Institutions - one in Hubli, District Dharwar, and the other in Ghataprabha, District Belgaum. The Hubli Institution is purely meant for the amelioration of women and children. The Indian Women's Aid Society, of which I am the President, runs a Women's Hospital and a Midwifery School at Hubli. It is now in existence for 40 years and is doing good work. At Ghataprabha, District Belgaum, the Karnatak Health Institute, of which I am the Administrator, runs a General Hospital and a T.B. Sanatorium. It is working for the last 20 years and is being helped by the Ministry of Health, Govt of India.

Hubli is only 12 miles to the south of Dharwar and Ghataprabha is only 45 miles to the north of Belgaum. It is easy to reach these two places from Dharwar and Belgaum. There are very good roads leading to both the places.

I respectfully invite you to these two Institutions when you go to Karnatak for the Convocation Address of the Karnatak University.

I had a talk with my friend, Mr. B.N. Datar, the Deputy Home Minister, about my earnest desire to invite you to the said two institutions. He instructed me to write to you and extend the invitation. Mr. Datar knows the work that is being done there. He too is connected with the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. Therefore he is in a position to give you full information about it.

Will you kindly note this invitation of mine and include these two institutions in your Karnatak programme? I am sure I will not be disappointed.

May I expect a line in reply?

Your brother,
N.S. Hardiker

Shri Govind Vallabh Pant,
Minister of Home Affairs,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Copy to Mr. B.N. Datar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955

My dear Mama,

Last night on the Delhi Station, just before the train departed, I spoke to you about the books which we wanted from Chitrashala Office for the use of the Karnatak Health Institute's patients, their attendants, their visitors and the members of the Hospital staff. Last year you have given us a gift of 50 books and three photographs. In the accompanying catalogue of the books published by your Press I have marked the books that I would like to have as gift from you for the same Institute. The names of those books that were given to us last year as gift have been scored in the catalogue and the names of those books which we would like to have this time have been marked thus "✓". Please see that these books are given to us in the same manner as they were given last year.

In order to spare the railway fare I would like you to give these books to me personally when I go to Chataprabha after the 8th of October. I will write to you in advance and give you the exact date and time of the train when I will be on the Poona Station. You can send somebody with the bundle addressed to me. I am making this arrangement with a view to saving your money and worries.

I hope you were not inconvenienced too much on account of the company that we thrust on your head. Anyway we knew very well that you would act a father to the girl whom you safely sent to her residence at Bombay.

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Please let me know how the unveiling function goes on. I wish you success in it.

Your brother,

Mama Deogirikar,
Chitrashala Press,
Sadashiv Peth,
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10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955.

My dear Iyer,

I have written to you already. Though I am awaiting your reply for the last 8 days you have not cared to write even a single line. What is the matter? This morning I got a letter from Krishnaraj. He said that you were there and had spoken to him on phone. Therefore, I am now writing to you and making enquiries about your and Raja's health. Please do write to me immediately about both of you and also about Mohan.

You know Mr. Ramachandra Murthy whom I called Ramu in your presence. He is the nephew of Shri Krishna Moorthy Rao. You have heard him argue with me once or twice. You too passed your opinion about him. Whatever that opinion may be, I want him to work under you in your Board.

He is now working in the Century Mills for the past one year and getting Rs.235/- in all per month. He is working in the Spinning Section. He writes to Shri Krishna Moorthy Rao that he is being continuously put on night duties and his health is very much shattered and he wants to have a change to some settled life. He has recently got married and is now living in Shri Hukkerikar's compound. He has applied for a job in the Handloom Board and I am sure you will do your best to take him under you. You know that he is a B.Sc. in Textiles and has had experience earlier in the New Kesari Weaving Mills also for one year, in the weaving section. Under your guidance he may prove satisfactory to you. If you do this Mr. Krishna Moorthy Rao will be rid off much worry and anxiety. If you think it necessary, we may speak about him to your Boss. But unless you make up your mind to take him what can your Boss do?

The Parliament adjourns on the 1st of October, but I am staying here for another 6 days. I am leaving Delhi by about the 8th and reaching Bombay on the 9th. Anyway I will write to you and give you my full programme of coming and going. In the meantime let me get an answer from you.

My love to Raja and yourself.

Yours affectionately,

Nehru

Shri A.S.E. Iyer,
Chaupati Terrace,
Chaupati,
BOMBAY - 7

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

29th September, 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

I have your letter dated 27-9-55. Thanks. This letter was written by you on the 27th. I get it on the 29th afternoon at about 5. That means full two days it has taken to travel from Hubli to Delhi. This is the usual time that our letters used to take before also to travel. That means your special bus carrying letters from Hubli to Belgaum for the aeroplane does not work. In the first letter also I wrote to you the same thing. In this letter also I am telling you the same thing. Possibly a few days more will be taken for the adjustment by the Postal Department. Then letters from Hubli may reach me within 24 hours. However, you try again and whenever you post your letters in the special box to be carried by the special bus to Belgaum please let me know. I will also mark and study.

Yes, Umabai's operation has taken place. Dr. Vaidya informed me. Also, I had received a letter from Umabai and Seetabai. I have replied to them both. Just today I got a card from Ramakant giving me the same news.

The dates of Mrs. Indira Gandhi's visit to Bijapur, Bagalkot, etc. will be changed. I do not believe that she can go to Bijapur on the 18th, Hubli on the 19th and ~~Bagalkot~~ Belgaum on the 20th. She may go later, as some urgent meetings have been called in New Delhi in which her presence is necessary. However, she is returning to Delhi on the 7th of October. I will have a talk with her on that day and will then finally know her Karnatak programme. You have written about the time-table of Dr. Mrs. Bhagwat. You say that she goes to the hospital at 6-45 in the morning and stays there for 2 hours until 8-45. After that she goes to the Hospital at 4 in the evening and leaves the same at 7. That means all told she is working there for 5 hours. I would like to suggest that she goes to the hospital in the afterno n at 3 instead of at 4. From 3 to 7 is the best period. Please see how it works. Consult her before you make the change.

I think when I go to Ghataprabha this time it will be better if the Joint Committee of the two hospitals ~~should also~~ meets there. Mrs. Indumati Sirur, Mr. Devadas Madiban, Madiman yourself, Dr. Vaidya and myself should be there. We will take stock of the work done so far and plan cur future. I am writing about this to Dr. Vaidya and asking him to call the meeting, if he approves. If you also approve, please write to him and request him to call the meeting. Mr. Madiban and Mrs. Indumati Sirur should be given enough time to adjust their programmes. The third meeting of the Joint Committee may be held at Hubli some time in the month of November or December.

Did you take money from Bhau? Do take it from him. I will give it to him, as soon as I find out my exact position. Do not unnecessarily suffer nor make the school suffer.

The Parliament adjourns sine die on the 1st evening. But I am not leaving Delhi for 5 or 6 days after that. Personally, I am anxious to go back ~~to~~ home, as I have found out

that the weather here does not suit me. My Eczema possibly is due to that. Also, I feel a little exhausted on account of the caugh. Hence, I am anxious to go back soon. However, as I have some work here, which I must finish, I will have to stay for a week at least after the adjournment of the Parliament. Anyway I will settle the dates in a day or two and will let you know the same.

I have already written to you about my Radio talk on Mahatma Gandhi's Satya and Ahimsa principle. It will be broadcast from Dharwar Radio on the second of October at 7.30 p.m. If you care to hear it be sitting near the Radio. Also te l Gangutai and Bija about it.

With love to all,

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

Dr. Miss S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

September 30, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

You must have received a letter from Mr. Badakere of Bombay. He has written to you very clearly about Rs.15,000/- which the Indian Womens' Aid Society gets as contribution from the Health Ministry of New Delhi. I want you to telephone to Mr. Sathe to speak to the Treasury Officer, to hurry up with the payment.

I have written a letter to Mr. Sathe, Collector of Dharwar, a copy of the same is attached herewith for your information. It is clear. I do not want the cheque to be made to me, because I will not be in a position to leave Delhi for another eight days. Ask Mr. Sathe to see the cheque is made payable to you or to the Secretary Mathuradas whichever way you want. But do tell him clearly and get the amount.

Regarding the Rs.7,500/- sanctioned for the Family Planning and the Rs.31,000/- sanctioned for the Axillary Nurse-Midwife Training, correspondence is going on. Some mistake somewhere has made us suffer. I am at it. I hope before I leave Delhi, I will be in a position to settle this matter. I know you are all worried and are troubled unnecessarily. What can I do? I am so sorry about it.

If the payment of Rs.15,000/- is in any way delayed, please write to Mr. S.R. Badakere immediately and send a copy of the same to me to No.10, Akbar Road. We will then attend to

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it.

Hope you will get in communication with Mr. Sathe immediately.

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Womens' Hospital,
Hubli,
(S.Railway)

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What has Mr Sathe done about the price of the furniture? I had written to him about it He has not replied Has he at least attended to my letter and done the work?

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My dear Doctor

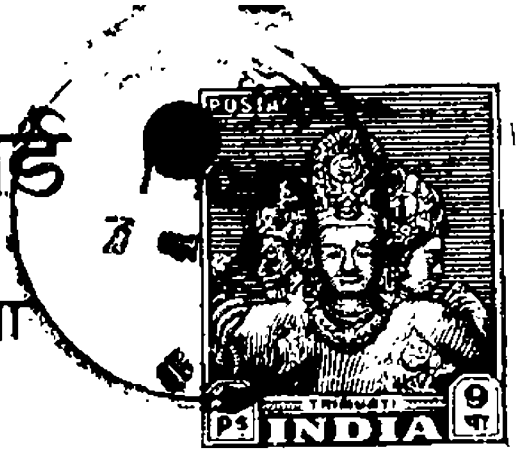
Yours of the 29th thanks

I am leaving Delhi on the 7th by the Frontier. I reach Bombay on the 8th at 9 A.M. Leave Bombay on the 9th Sunday, at 5 P.M. by the D.2 On Monday the 10th I reach Ghatapradha in the morning by road. So, write accordingly

I am glad all are O.K there. Give my pranams to all

Yours affly

Narayan



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पता Women's Hospital

डाकख़ाना Hubli

ज़िला S.Ry.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

2nd October, 1955

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Mr. Badakkere has sent you a copy of the letter that was addressed to the Dharwar Treasury Office regarding the Rs.15,000/- grant from the Government of India to the Women's Hospital. The letter to the Treasury Office was sent by the Accountant General's Office, Bombay. It is the authority given to the Treasury Officer to pay the amount to us. I do not remember whether the bill was in my name and whether the cheque will be issued in my name. I want you to telephone to the Collector of Dharwar and find it out. If necessary, you can tell him that the cheque be sent either to you or to the Secretary of the Society. If it is not possible for him to do so then get the cheque in my name and keep it with you until I come. I will then sign it and hand it over to the Bank. I write all these not remembering what the wordings were on the bill that was submitted by the Government of India to the Accountant General.

Regarding the 7,500 amount to be spent on Family Planning, the Ministry of Health has again issued instructions to the Accountant General, Bombay, to give the amount to us. The delay is due to lack of attested signature. That has now again been sent to Bombay by Delhi, so you will get that amount also.

As regards the amount of Rs.31,000/- sanctioned by the Government of India for the training of the Auxiliary Nurses and Midwives, the instructions have again gone from this office to Bombay. As Mr. Badakkere is handling all this work, I depend on him and have requested him to expedite the matter. He knows our plight in so far as funds are concerned. So I am not worried about getting money now.

I do not know whether you have received the amount of Rs.1,100/- from the Central Social Welfare Board. If not, you should remind those who have sanctioned it and urge them to send the same at an early date. But before you do that you must be definite as to the object for which you are going to spend that amount. Otherwise it will be very difficult for you to give explanations after you spent the entire amount.

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Vimal Kulkarni is here with me today. She is all right attending to her studies regularly. I have met her

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Superintendent and whenever she comes here she takes permission of the former. I reach her to her hostel every time she comes to 10, Akbar Road.

Have you anything to be brought from Bombay? If so please write to Kasturi and keep him informed. I have already written to him about the date of my arrival in Bombay.

More later.

Yours affectionately,

Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 2, 1955.

My dear Mrs. Nimkar,

I was having a talk with Dr. Keskar the other day. He said that it was your wish to be present on the day on which Dr. Keskar visited Chataprabha again. He asked me to write to you and inform you that he will be there on the 22nd of this month (October). He will stay there from morning 4 to 10.45 night and then will take Express to Mysore, i.e., he will be there for 18 hours at Chataprabha on the 22nd of this month. What is your pleasure? Do you want to go? Please do write to me immediately about it.

I will be reaching Bombay on the 8th morning by the Frontier Mail. I leave Bombay on Sunday the 9th morning. I would urge you to contact me on the phone at Mr. Iyers. My phone No. there is 32215. This you should do if I fail to get in touch with you.

How is your Institute going on? What does your friend Mr. Swarup say? I hope you have after coming to Delhi settled everything about you.

Is Mr. Nimbkar there? Will he be there when I come? Please give him my regards.

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Mrs. Nimbkar,
'Amerind',
15th Road,
KHAR,
Bombay.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
October 2, 1955.

My dear Badakere,

I did get both of your letters. On receipt of the same, I have contacted the persons concerned and narrated the whole story to them. Also I wrote to them quoting the salient paragraph from your 2nd letter. The result was the accompanying copy of the letter issued by one of the Under Secretaries. So, the road is clear to you now. Have this copy and go to the concerned authorities in the Accountant-General's Office and do your work. If you experience any other trouble, again, please write to me immediately and I will handle the matter here. Please note that I am leaving Delhi on the 7th morning by the Frontier Mail and reach Bombay on the 8th morning at 9. So if you have to write to me I must get your letter before the 6th. If not we will meet on Saturday the 8th or we will have a talk on the phone at about 11 A.M. that day.

I want your car on Saturday and Sunday upto the time of the Deccan Queen that day (Sunday 9th). I hope you will take permission of your Boss and keep the conveyance ready for me.

Have you received any letter from Dr. Vaidya about Rs.35,000/- grant to the Karnatak Health Institute by the Health Ministry? I had asked Dr. Vaidya to send the papers to you instead of sending them direct to the Accountant-General, but in his usual manner he has written to the Accountant-General's Office. However, I am sure you will be in a position to trade his letter and the bill and try to expedite that payment also.

Has the typewriter been send with Mr. Keskar or is it yet to be sent? If so, when I leave Bombay on the 9th, I am willing to take it along with me if it is given to me.

Where is Mr. Nimkar? Will you tell him that I am reaching Bombay on the 8th and that I would like to meet him the same day. I am sure he has already taken his decision about Land Rover car. I wish Dr. Vaidya gets the car soon.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Mr. S.R. Badakere,
c/o Consolidated Neumatic Tools Ltd.,
Liberty Building,
Marine Lines,
BOMBAY-1.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
October 2, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Dr. B.V. Keskar, Minister for Information and Broadcasting is reaching Ghataprabha, on the 22nd of this month at 4 P.M. by Janatha from Poona. He will stay there the whole day with you and leave Ghataprabha at night by the Bangalore Express for Mysore via Arsikere. I am also going with him as far as Cape Camorin and will attend the opening function of the All India Radio at Bangalore on the 2nd November. After that I return to Hubli and then to Ghataprabha.

I want you to let him have month to month delivery figures of the maternity ward at Bhataprabha from the date of its inception in October three years ago. I want you to get him the number of boys and girls born every month in your maternity home from the very beginning. It will be better if you prepare a table and keep it ready for our use. The person who opened the maternity ward is again visiting and he would like to know how the maternity home has been making progress and how many children were born there since it was started. If you can give any other information regarding the same, we would like to have it.

I am asking you to get date-wise figures of the amounts that he has contributed to the Karnatak Health Institute since he began to take interest in us. What is the total amount he has paid so far and on what dates?

He will address your trainees also. In fact, something like an inspection will be done by him and the same will be reported to the authorities who are directly responsible for that work here in Delhi.

He was interested in knowing the cost of a house of the type of Dr. Hardikar's residence. Is it possible for you to give him the figures? Please, if you have time, do make an attempt to furnish these figures to him.

I am glad to note that the Ambulance was got ready by Mr. Pusaker atlast after 22 days. I have to congratulate him for doing that splendid job. Have you begun to operate it since yesterday? You know that we had written to Dr. Hitchhmanora of Canada that the Ambulance would begingits working in right earnestness from October 2, the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi.

Have you written to Bata's? If not will you write to them and ask them to expedite the despatch of shoes. I am, on my own, writing them to collect the dues and asking them to hasten the despatch.

If at all Mrs. Indira Gandhi

Karnatak tour as planned before and if she decides to visit Ghataprabha, I would like very much to show her the whole health work that you are doing in the Servants Quarters. I feel that it is better for us to do some work there and to show it to Mrs. Indira Gandhi and other leaders who will be visiting our Institute very soon. I have already written to you that I am in correspondence about the tour of Sri G.B. Pant and Sri T.S. Krishnamachari.

More again,

Yours ffectionately,

(M.S. Hardikar)

Dr. M.K. Vaidya, M.S.
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum,
(S.Railway).

.S. Hardikar,

10,Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 2, 1955.

My dear Dr. Balankhe,

I have your letter. Thanks.

I cannot lay my hands on the list of books and magazines th t you wanted from Delhi. Will you, therefore, write to me immediately and repeat the list. Then only I will be in a position to get at least some of the books and magazines you want. Remember please that I am leaving on the 7th morning. I must, therefore, get your letter on the 6th morning at the latest.

I will have a talk with Mrs. Deshmukh and the Secretary of the Welfare Board regarding the assistance for Nurses Quarters. I will use the information you have given about Kasturba Trust receiving such assistance.

Yes, the canteen administration has become an eye sore to all of us. That is one of the reasons why I have been asking you to spare your time to look after that affair and that affair only. Neither Dr. Vaidya nor myself are capable of handling that subject. That is what I personally think andhence my request.

I am writing to Vatsala about starting work near staff quarters outside our boundary now only. Certainly I will call all women together and appeal to them, but th t will take time. I do not want to wait until we get all together and lay down plans for doing social work in those quarters. Whatever is possible for us to do now we must do. Too much thinking wastes much of our flesh and by loosing time we loose not only our prestige, but even our name. So, encourage one or two to take up this work.

I am herewith sending you a copy of the letter I have received from the Health Ministry. The contents of that letter are clear. I hope you will not be be able to get the Rs.31,000/-. Mr. B dakere is looking after this amount also. I have written to him about the Rs.35,000/- too. Let me hope that there will not be much difficulty in getting this amount. If you do experience any difficulty, I would like either you or Dr. Vaidya to write to Mr. Badakere and not to anyone in the Accountant-General's Office at Bombay.

We will have to help Dr. Mahajan by sitting at Chataprabha. She is there handling the whole situation alone. I am glad you are sending some money to her, but money alone will not solve the difficulty. You have not yet koked any girl to act as Staff Nurse in the Women's Hospital. Please do not appoint a Sister-Tutor. We want only a staff nurse and at that pay. I do not believe that the governing council of the Women's Hospital will be ready to spend Rs.50/-

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more on a Sister-Tutor. We must remember that there are mentalities and mentalities. To deal with them, sometimes, is not only troublesome, but difficult. So try to get the staff nurse immediately. I do realise that a Sister-Tutor is absolutely necessary there, but how to solve the question of money is the question. If you so desire and have time at your disposal please pay a visit to Hubli, have a talk with people there, inspect the work that is now going on, come back and place the whole thing before your boss, and then take the decision. In doing all this you should not wait for me to come there. I have always been giving you a free hand. Work suffers if we wait and wait and wait for people to come and guide us. Do not go in that habit. Never mind even if you commit mistakes and blunders. Be ready to admit your mistakes, correct them and them to march again.

I wrote in my last to Dr. Vaidya to call a meeting of the Joint Committee. I give you the date now. I will be at Ghataprabha on Monday the 10th of this month by Mail. I will stay there for one or at the most two days this time and will run home as there are sick persons in my family. I am indeed there. I will come back after 4 or 5 days and stay there until Dr. Keskar reaches Ghataprabha and then go with him to the South. Therefore either on the 10th or on the 11th you should call the meeting of the Joint Committee. I do not know what the parties at Hubli will say. Anyway you should make an attempt, write to them, ask them to come.

I am sure you have already begun to work the Ambulance. Today is the 2nd of October. It was to be ready and put to work today - Mahatmaji's birthday. That was what was decided, do you remember.

Dr. Keskar, the Minister for Information and Broadcasing with Meera Tai reaches Ghataprabha on the 22nd of this month by Janatha (Hubli Express) early morning at 4 or 4.30. He leaves Ghataprabha the same night by Bangalore Express at 10.45. That means he stays at Bhataprabha on the 22nd of this month for full 18 hours. When he comes there I want him to see Servants Quarters, your and Social Welfare Group and also to see the Ambulance in full working order. He also desires to see Dr. Hardikar's house. I hope all these three things will be kept ready for him. I will ask him to address your school and move about freely in your compound. From Ghataprabha he, Meera Tai and myself will proceed to Mysore, Ooty and to Cape Camorin. I will not return until possibly the 1st week of November.

I know I have left some points from your letter. There is no need to answer them. Otherwise I have

answered every point that you have raised and added a few more of mine to this letter.

With love to you and to all,

Your brother,

(M.S. Hardikar)

Dr. G.T. Balankhe, M.S.,
Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
Belgaum District,
(S. Railway).

Dr. N.S. Hardiker
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

2nd October, 1955

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More later.

Yours affectionately,

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Dr. Miss S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital
HUBLI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 3, 1955.

My dear Iyer,

Your letter of October 1. Thanks. Very well, we will talk about Ramachandra Murthy when I come there. I am writing to him to meet me at your's on the 8th after my arrival or on the 9th. He will tell us as to what he wants.

I am leaving Delhi on the 7th by the Frontier Mail. I reach Bombay on Saturday the 8th in the mroning at about 8.45. As usual you will telephone to Krishna Raj and to Bhasker about my arrival time in Bombay. I will leave Bombay on Sunday the 9th by the Deccan Queen I have already reserved my berth for Chataprabha from here. Please tell Raja about it.

I am writing to Mr. Ravi Sankar Sukla, the Chief Minister of C.P. about the suggestion you have made. In fact, I am quoting the para from your letter and giving your name and address to him. If he wants let him correspond with you direct. However, I request you to waste a few hours of your's immediately and write out everything you know about the Flag Salutation Ceremony on the mid-night of 31st December 1929. It will not only be useful to him but also useful to the "Who-s-Who" of the Seva Dal book which we are bringing out sometime at the beginning of the next year. If possible please send the same to this address of mine to reach me on the 8th at the latest. After that I will not get any letters here.

When did you hear from Mohan? How is he? Will you ask Raja to telephone to Miss. Malka and tell her that I will be in Bombay on the 8th and up to 5 P.M. on the 9th. If possible, she will come and spend a few hours with us.

I am sending herewith a copy of the letter I have addressed to Mr. R.S.Sukla, Chief Minister of C.P, for your information.

With love to you and to Raja.

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Shri A.S.E. Iyer,
Chowpatty Terrace,
Chowpatty,
BOMBAY-7.

Dr. H.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 3, 1955.

My dear Yamu,

I have your letter dated 29-9-1955. It was posted on the 30th by you. It reached me today.

I want you to see that the Staff Nurses Quarters are kept nice, clean and tidy. Whether you give them the furniture or not, I am not worried at this moment, but all the living facilities and whatever comfort has to be given to our staff must be given to them also. Please see that the rooms are well white-washed, shelves are provided and ropes or wires are tied to dry clothes. I want you specially to go after Staff Nurses and make them live a decent and clean life and slowly introduce some kind of time-table for them. I do not desire to control them fully, but there must be somekind of control over them also. They should not be left completely free.

I am sure Mantri has enclosed the vegetable garden of the Guest House. The place may be a small one. It is my intention to increase it, but of that we think later. For the present whatever little space the garden has occupied, it must be enclosed. Please, therefore, see that it is done. Mantri is the only one who can do. I want the above things to be done before I reach Chataprabha on the 10th morning by Mail. Tell him so.

I am writing to Bata's and asking them to expedite the despatch of the shoes. I will also tell them that that is not the only quantity that we need. Some more will be sent. We will write to their representatives at Belgaum and Hubli to visit both the institutions again and take measurements of those who want shoes and those whose measurements were not taken in the past.

I am glad the 15th girl is good and intelligent. It much depends upon the individual guidance that you and others will give her. I hope by now you know the character of every girl who is now under training. If not, I would like you to come in closer contacts still. Remember please that it is not only the bookish knowledge that you want to give to our trainees, but we have to impress upon their mind the necessity of sacrificing and sufferings for the cause of the nation and serving the people selflessly. That is most important.

The impression that a teacher leaves on the minds of a student has to be taken into consideration when a student comes out of a school or a college. I want you to know that.

I have already written to you about my coming there. I leave Delhi on the 7th morning. I reach Bombay on the 8th morning. I leave Bombay on 9th by the Deccan Queen and reach your place on the 10th morning. I will not stay there for long

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as I am anxious to go home to be near the sick persons.

Dr. Keskar visits Ghataprabha on the 22nd of this month. He reaches by Janatha in the morning that day and leaves for Mysore the same night by Bangalore Express. I am going with him as far as Cape Camorin and will return after he leaves for Delhi from Bangalore. I am asking Dr. Vaidya to keep some facts and figures ready for them. If you have time, do help him in preparing the same.

With love to you,

Yours affectionately,

(M.S. Hardikar)

Mis. Yamu Tai Tinaikar,
Matron,
Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA.
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 3, 1955.

My dear Suklaji,

Your letter regarding a graphic account of the Flag Salutation Ceremony on the midnight of 31st December 1929 on the banks of the River Ravi has remained unanswered. For sometime I was not in Delhi. Later on I was in correspondence with Mr. A.S.E. Iyer of Bombay. As I have now received a letter from Mr. Iyer, I am now writing to you.

Yes, I was in Lahore at that time and I have taken part in all the activities connected with Congress as also with the Seva Dal movement, but I was moving about and I must confess that I do not remember much about the exact location of the Flag Salutation Ceremony's sight. I thought that a picture that I may draw will not be a correct one. Therefore I wrote to Mr. Iyer who was in actual charge of the entire Hindustan Seva Dal, which was working in the Punjab at that time. It was Mr. Iyer who was our Commander in Lahore. He was helping Sardar Mangal Singh who was the Provincial G.O.C. at the time of the Congress Session. So Mr. Iyer knows all the details about the ceremony. He writes thus:-

> "The picture of the flag salutation ceremony on the midnight of 31st December 1929 is still vivid in my mind. I could sit down and describe the whole thing but it would be difficult to put down on paper a graphic account of the same. I will venture to do so in the coming two or three days. I would, however, suggest that the artist concerned may be asked to meet me in Bombay and I would give him a very good picture, of what happened on that night, how far away the gladpost was from the banks of the river Ravi where the delegates' camps were situated, what was the base of the flag post, how tall was the flag post, etc. If, however, you feel that I should write out the description, I shall do so and post the same to you.

I think whatever he has expressed in the above para is right. I have asked him to write out the whole thing and send it to me, at the earliest moment. Even if he writes it, I urge you to send the Artist to Bombay to see him. Mr. Iyer is a high official of the Central Government. He is the Secretary of the All India Handloom Board and Assistant Commissioner of the Textile Department. Therefore, it will not be possible for him to leave Bombay and go to Nagpur to give you an idea of the Flag Salutation Ceremony in December 1929. The suggestion, therefore, is that an artist from you should go there, take the entire picture

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from him and then paint as he thinks best. It is your pleasure to think about it and act.

Mr. Gopichand Bhargava, ex-Chief Minister of Punjab was the General Secretary then. Sardar Mangal Singh was the G.O.C., and Mr. Kitchlew was the Chairman of the Receiption Committee. I know the first and the third are here in the country. I cannot trace the 2nd. If you write to both of them or at least one of them, they will be in a position to throw more light on the subject. It is possible that you have already done so. If not, I would like you to write to them and get their ideas also.

Bombay

I am leaving for the South on the 7th of this month. I will not return until the middle of November. My address shall be:

"Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
c/o Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
Belgaum District,
(S.Railway)

If you so desire, you write to me direct or to Mr. A.S.E. Iyer, Chowpatty Terrace, Chowpatty, Bombay-7. He will be glad to reply.

I hope you are well. With respects,

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Shri Ravi Shankar Sukla,
Chief Minister,
Madhya Pradesh,
NAGPUR.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 4, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Your letter of 1-10-1955 with 'Express Delivery' stamps reached me on Monday night. I do not know why you wrote an express letter on Saturday. Did you mail it on Sunday or did you want your letter of Saturday to reach me quicker; I do not understand. Your letters are not clear at all.

Has my neice Indu Hardikar joined her duties? When did she come? I hope she will stick up and work with one mind.

I cannot say anything about Miss. Mary Dhawale just yet. Let us see what happens. Whether she is willing to go to Red Fern Hospital for further training or not Mx is to be considered later; not now. I will not talk about it also in this letter.

I hope you have spoken to Mr. Sathe, Collector of Dharwar about Rs.15,000/- about which Mr. Badakere has already written to you. If you have not spoken about it yet, please do speak to him and try to get the amount as quickly as possible. In case any difficulty arises about my personal signature, you will have to get it settled somehow with the help of Mr. Sathe himself or wait until I come.

Herewith I am sending to you a copy of the letter received from the Health Ministry, regarding the appointment of a full fledged L.C.P.S. Doctor as Superintendent in lieu of one of the Sisters. I have sent another copy to Dr. Vaidya for his information. Please note that it is the Karnatak Health Institute which is held responsible for the disbursement of the amount they give for training Auxiliary Midwives. It is they who make the necessary appointments, of course, with the help and co-operation of the Governing Bodies concerned. This copy of the letter addressed to me by the Health Ministry authorises L.C.P.S. Doctor to sign her voucher as Superintendent and not as Sister.

Has Dr. Vaidya called a meeting of the Joint Committee at Ghataprabha? He has not given any indication to me yet. I am reminding him again today.

I am glad Bhau has given you money. Dr. Balankhe wrote to me saying that he was sending you Rs.500/-. Has he sent? In that case you need not return Bhau's money immediately until you get another instalment from Ghataprabha. You keep the amounts with you for your further needs. I will certainly account when I reach Hubli.

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Dr. Miss. Shamala Bai and after you go through it hand it over to her.

With love to all.

Yours affectionately,

N.

(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital. HUBLI, (S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 4, 1955.

My dear Nimbkar,

I am leaving Delhi on Friday the 7th by the Frontier Mail. Will be in Bombay Central on Saturday the 8th morning at 8.45. On Sunday 9th I leave Bombay for Chataprabha by the Deccan Queen and stay at Chataprabha for two days at the most; then run to Hubli and be there for about a week.

On the 2nd of this month Dr. Keskar, Minister for Information and Broadcasting is visiting Chataprabha. He stays there for about 18 hours from 4.30 A.M. to 10.45 P.M. He reaches Chataprabha by Janatha and leaves the same by Bangalore Express for Mysore. He will be accompanied by his niece Meera Tai. Mrs. Nimbkar had expressed her desire to be at Chataprabha on the day of Dr. Keskar's visit. I have written to her separately. I hope she has received that letter. I am interested to have you also there on that day. If you are busy otherwise. I will not urge. You may or you may not be present there, I do not mind. I am going with Dr. Keskar to the South. We are going as far as Cape Camorin, and returning to Bangalore after ten days. He opens the Bangalore All India Radio Station on the 2nd of November and then returns to Delhi.

I am not going to say anything to you about the Health Institute and its requirements. You are just as much interested in it as I am. I am sure you are going everything that is necessary to be done for it. So, I wont write anything about it now. I will have a talk with you when I will be in Bombay about the same.

I hope I will be able to get your conveyance during my stay in Bombay. Please inform Badakere about it. I have also written to him to speak to you about this request of mine. Will you make it convenient, if you are there, to meet me on Saturday evening or do you want me this time to go to your house on Sunday morning? What is your pleasure?

Yours brother,
N.S.H.
(N.S. Hardikar)

Mr. V. Nimbkar,
'Amerind',
15th Road,
KHAR.
Bombay.

Purchase Reinol ointment
bottle for my personal use.
N.S.H.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

4th October, 1955

Personal

My dear Durgabai,

This is purely a personal letter not meant for your files. It is only meant to seek your help and advice. You know the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. You have seen it. You know the work we are doing there. It is for that Institute that I am writing now.

Our work there is growing tremendously and correspondingly the number of our staff members is also increasing. The number of patients is slowly going up and up. Though we have 80 buildings in our compound which are all owned by us, it has become very difficult for us to lodge our staff and also the growing number of patients. A number of visitors also come and go. The attendants of patients also come and stay a day or two or three and then go. We have absolutely no place for these people either to stay or live in. We are experiencing difficulties. I do not know how to meet these difficulties.

Add to this the growing number of nursing staff. We have very little accommodation for them also. Today we have 10 nurses working as Staff Nurses in the hospital. Again add to this the number of trainees that we have taken and are being trained. They are 15 in number. It is just possible that after some period the number of such trainees also will grow. We have to make provision for all of them, if at all we mean to continue our work.

Under these circumstances I think we will have to have additional number of quarters to lodge the staff, the nurses and the attendants who periodically come and go. At this very moment we would like to have a good accommodation for the nurses at least. Unless we build some quarters for them it is not possible for us to accommodate all.

To build nurses' quarters means at least Rs.50,000/-. We would like to house 20 nurses, have a kitchen for themselves and a lecture hall in the quarters. For such a building we need at least Rs.50,000/-. How can I get it if friends and sisters like you do not help us?

We are willing to collect money, but the situation in the country is such that very little money comes from the public for such work. However, we will do our best to collect a decent amount but we want your help in getting the remaining amount.

Is it possible for you to help us? You can render help to us in two different ways; (1) By giving us some kind amount say half of what we need for the construction of nurses' quarters, from your organisation and (2) by suggesting some other method of getting the remaining amount. I do not know whether it is possible for your organisation to give us Rs.25,000/- for building the nurses' quarters. Can you suggest me the name of any organisation which contribute for such constructive work? There are so many organisations which are helping today to carry on social welfare work in this country. You might be knowing their names. Will you

K.T.O.

kindly try to get me the names of some of them? Please do your little bit in this and let me know the names as quickly as possible. Of course, your word with them will carry us a long way.

I am leaving for Ghataprabha on the 7th morning. I would like to speak to you personally about this matter before I go, if you give me some time. If not, you can write to me a personal note which will not be meant for files.

Your brother,

M.S. Hardikar

Smt. Durgabai Deshmukh,
Chairman,
Central Social Welfare Board
10, Kitchner Road,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

4th October, 1955

My dear Vatsala,

An answer to your letter is pending for a long time Please excuse. I am glad you have liked my idea of starting social welfare work at home. I know the work will be made easy by asking all the women folk in the compound of the Karnatak Health Institute. We will do that. We will hold a meeting when I come there. I will address them and appeal to them, but it is better to begin on our own now. We will show them what exactly we mean by carrying on some work at the beginning. You should go in the habit of thinking about it and planning. There is nothing like giving some thought to it ourselves. We certainly take suggestions from friends and well-wishers and also workers. But we must have something of our own. Otherwise the plan never works. So please begin without waiting for calling the meeting of women folk or my coming there.

I do not know whether Mrs. Indira Gandhi would accept our invitation and come there. Whether she comes or not, we have to work. If she comes she will see the work. There are others who are coming; Dr. Keskar will be there on the 22nd of this month. He will spend 18 hours with us from morning 4.30 up to night 10.45. He will go everywhere in the Institute, see the work that you are doing. I want him to see the work that you are doing and bless it. After that Miss Adranvala is coming, T.T. Krishnamachari is coming and it is just possible that Shri Govind Ballabh Pant also may come. I expect the Canadian High Commissioner to come and see the work that we are all doing. He is expected some time in the month of January. I do not want to begin ~~that~~ work for people coming from outside or for people coming from inside. I want to do the work, because it is my desire to do it. I work not for others, but for myself. You too should do it. It is not a show thing. Service should be taken as something sacred. It is always voluntary, prompted by the inward feelings of a man. As such the work that we are thinking of doing in the servants colony ought to be taken up immediately. It is the impression that we carry upon the minds of those who are living there that is to be taken into consideration. Let us create good will and good feelings amongst our own people by showing our own desire of helping them to the utmost.

Dr. Keskar will spend an entire day at yours. So please be ready to receive him and his neice Meeratai. I am reaching on Monday the 10th morning. We will talk then about this.

My love to the children,

Yours affectionately,

A.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

4th October, 1955

My dear Sanitzer,

The Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha and the Women's Hospital, Hubli, both have informed me that they have not yet received the shoes against the order that they had placed with you. Why such a delay? Will you please see that the shoes are despatched immediately?

It seems that they have not given you the measurements of the entire staff. I have written to them and have asked them to approach your agents in those two places and ask them to take measurements of the remaining staff. I hope this is O.K. You too I am sure will write to them for visiting the two institutions for taking further orders.

I want to draw your attention to the fact that the cadets who are trained by us in the Seva Dal Camp all over the country need shoes. If you promise to give the same to us I will correspond with the Provincial Branches and ask them to approach your agents in the Capitals of various States. If not, I will have to ask them to approach your agents in bigger towns wherever we have a large number of members. What have you to say?

I will not be here after the 7th. My address shall be c/o the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, District Belgaum, Bombay State.

Your brother,

N.S.H

Mr. L. Sanitzar,
Retail Sales Manager,
Messrs Bata Shoe Co. Ltd.,
CALCUTTA - 13

D.r. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 4, 1955.

My dear Shamala Bai,

Your letter dated 22.9.1955 has remained unanswered for a long time. Please excuse me.

I am glad you enjoy your work. There is nothing in this world as to get work in which we put our heart and soul together and carry through successfully to its logical end. A person is able to work hard when one likes it. You have an aptitude for that work. You have made it your own and therefore you are loving it. That is one of the reasons why I put you in charge of it. The time that you are now giving to it is, from my point of view, not much. I want you to extend it. I know you go to the Hospital even at nights whenever your presence is required also, but the time that you have now allotted is not enough. That is my candid opinion. From 6.45 A.M. to 8.45 A.M. and from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M., i.e., a total of five hours, you are spending in that hospital towards for the nursing work. I want you to extend it by one hour more, i.e., in the afternoon you should say that you are coming there at 3 instead of at 4. Make it six hours, and not five hours. I am sure you will have no objection for that.

I am glad you celebrated Ganapathi Utsav in your Hospital. I am also glad that you had invited some of your Doctor-friends and some members of the Government Council and their families to witness the entertainments given by trainees. That is the best way to be social in this world. That helps you to attract attention of all friends who are interested in the work that you are doing. That also helps them to understand the circumstances in which you are working. They come nearer to us in this matter. You should create such occasions through three or four times a year and get people interested in our work.

I am glad you are confident of moulding the character of the trainees and making them first-class nurses. Please remember that for such moulding of character, it is not the books that help. The impression that you create in their mind as a teacher and by your active behaviour towards them, helps in creating the desired results You have to see that you are enthrawled in their heart. You cannot do it unless you consciously make an attempt to draw them towards you by giving all that is sweet and good in you to them. I am sure you are capable of going that. You have a good colleague and a sister in Dr. Mahajan. With her help I am sure you will become a first-class teacher, a god to them all.

I am sorry to learn about the temperature of Acharya Bhagwat. I am glad, however, that he is not bed-ridden. My good wishes to him.

p.t.o.

Please write to me to my Bombay address where I will be on Saturday the 8th; if not to the c/o Health Institute, Ghataprabha.

With love to you,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr. N.S. Hardikar.
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 4, 1955.

My dear Kamaladevi,

Please do not be surprised at this letter and the request made therein. I know this is the first time that I am requesting you to help me in the cause for which I am striving now. I am sure you will not refuse to reply to me and render the necessary assistance that I am seeking.

Besides the Seva Dal work that I have made my own, I am working for the Indian Women's Aid Society in Hubli, which runs a Women's Hospital and a Midwifery School. I am the President of the Society and I am doing my utmost to help and develop the same and make it more and more useful to the ailing humanity. Dr. Miss. Mahajan is the Chief Medical Officer of the same. Mrs. Umabai Kundapur is a member of the Governing Council. I want your assistance in developing the Women's Hospital and efficiently run the Midwifery School.

The 2nd Institution with which I am connected is the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha, District Belgaum. I am the Organizer and Administrator of this Institute. It is in existence for the last 20 years and is doing good work. It is running a general Hospital, a T.B. Sanatorium a Maternity Home and a Nursing School. I want your assistance to develop this Institute also.

You are an international figure known to many many organisations all over the world. There are a number of international organisations which are helping the Social Welfare cause in this country today. One or two which are in the field are giving their assistance to the cause of healt also. I want you to know something of these two Institutions and recommend some of your friends to render necessary help to them. I have not gone out of my way to get into touch with these international organisations, though many of them have their Headquarters in Delhi. I should tell you, however, that sometimes we do receive some milk powder or some butter tins or some kind of vitamin tablets. Occasionally, our own friends in the country write to us about these articles and send them to us. Except for the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada, no one has directly helped these organisations. The Unitarian Service Committee gave Ghataprabha Institute an Ambulance. Dr. Hitchmanova, the Director of that Committee, went there personally, studied the Institute and sent a report to her Committee. She has said that she would help further. The Health Ministry of the Government of India also has helped to a certain extent. Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Deshmukh, Dr. Punjab Rao Deshmukh, Dr. B.V. Keskar, Mr. Raj Bahadur and some of the other dignatories from Delhi have visited the Ghataprabha Institute as well as the Women's Hospital in Hubli. They have appreciated

the work.

I want you to think over this matter and show me the way to get necessary help in developing these two institutions and making them perfect and more and more useful.

I am leaving Delhi on the 7th ~~morning~~ of this month for Ghataprabha. If it is possible for you, please ring me up as soon as you get this letter, or else, do reply to me to the following address: My telephone No. is 45513.

"Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi."

My next address, i.e., after 7th is:

"Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
c/o Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum,
(S. Railway).

Excuse me for troubling you; but I thought that I should write to you and place my request before you even though it may be a little trouble.

With kindest regards,

Your brother,

N.S. Hardikar

(N.S. Hardikar)

Srimathi Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya,
No.9 Electric Lane,
NEW DELHI-1.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 5, 1955.

My dear Mrs. Nimbkar,

I got your letter yesterday evening. I have also written to you, but our letters have crossed.

I am sorry I will not be here when you come. As I have already written to you, I am leaving on the 7th and will meet you either on the 8th or on the 9th morning. We will talk then.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi's programme is not settled yet. She was to visit Karnatak on the 18th, but it seems that it will be postponed as she has to stay here for the Working Committee Meeting. When you come here it will be better if you meet her personally and urge her on behalf of the Karnatak Health Insitutue to visit the same. Even if Vishnu Pant does not go that side when Mrs. Indira Gandhi visits the Institute, you should not mind.

More when we meet at Bombay,

Your brother,

N.S.H.
(N.S. Hardikar)

Mrs. Kamala V. Nimbkar,
'Amerind'
15th Road,
KHAR,
Bombay.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 5, 1955.

My dear Bheema Rao,

Sometime ago I wrote to you about meeting the Congress President and Secretary and the Collector of Belgaum regarding the programme of Sri Govind Vallabh Pant. Pantji has asked me to inform the Chief Minister of Bombay about our desire. So I urge you to write to Sri Morarji Desai and request him on behalf of the Institute to spare a few hours of Sri Govind Vallabh Pant for a visit to the Institute. It will be better if you, instead of me, write to Morarji. Hence I have hastened to write to you.

I will be in Ghataprabha on the 10th morning. I wont stay there for more than two days. Therefore, will you be good enough to meet me there? On the 22nd of this month Dr. Keskar visits Ghataprabha and stays there until 10.45 P.M. Then he proceeds to Mysore. I want you and Mr. Shama Rao to be there on that day. If you so desire you may arrange some programme for him. If not he will simply take rest before he embarks on a journey.

I hope the question of the roof of Hardikar's house has been settled. You have promised me to get somebody to open the house during the Devali Holidays. I am sure you will keep up your promise.

More when we meet,

Your

(N.S. Hardikar)

Mr. Bheemarao Potdar, B.A.,LL.B.,
Pleader, Anantasayanagalli,
BELGAUM.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA).

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 6, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Mr. Mathuradas regarding the contribution of the Health Ministry of the Government of India. All the relevant papers are attached therewith. As I do not know the present address of Mathuradas I have sent a letter to Ramarao Shevade. I have asked Ramu to hand it over to him. This is a personal copy to you for your file and action. Please, after you get this, go with Ramu to Mathuradas and discuss the whole matter and write to me to Ghataprabha to reach me on the 10th.

Yesterday, I met Mrs. Malini Golkeri who has married a Frenchman who is working in the external service of the A.I.R. She had come with him. His name is Daumières. I first came to know about this man in the month of April 1955. He had come to me for a job in the Social Welfare field. I have corresponded with him. They were with me at Inamdar's for about 45 minutes. I will speak to you about them when I meet you at Hubli.

I have your letter dated 4-10-1955. I have noted the contents. Tomorrow, I am leaving Delhi and will be at Ghataprabha on the 10th as already written to you. I expect your letter at Bombay now. I hope you and Gangutai have written about the things that I have to bring from Bombay. If nothing is to be brought, I will naturally go myself and meet you all

With love to all,

Yours affectionately,

Narayan
(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI.
S. Railway.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
October 6, 1955.

My dear Bhau,

I did get your card day before yesterday and I got Biju's card yesterday. I was sorry to learn that Sudha's fever continues yet and Vidya is having fever again. I do not what this means. Some trouble somewhere. We will have to think about it. I will spend the 10th and 11th at Ghataprabha and come home on the 12th noon. I may even reach home on the 12th morning by the Express, but I will see how it works. If rain is continuing there I will not travel at night, if not surely I will take the mid-night train at Ghataprabha and reach Hubli early morning at 4. I am anxious to see the ailing girls at home.

I do not want you to think that I want to read many many lines from you about the working of the press, especially then when you are busy with the sick persons at home. It is enough that I am getting the few lines that you are regularly writing about the health of everyone at home.

I do not know whether you yourselves have written to Mr. Shankarrao Kirloskar in answer to his letter to Gangutai. If not, please do so immediately. In that very letter request him to come to Hubli, visit the Adarsha Printery and give you the benefit of his experience in the working of the printing press. He is a nice man. He will reply to you even in the affirmative. Do not hesitate in the least to drop a few lines to him. I am also writing to him today and will thank him for the letter has written to Gangutai.

On the 22nd of this month Dr.Keskar and Meeratai reach Ghataprabha early morning at 4.30 They stay there that day until 10.45 night and leaves same by Bangalore Express for Mysore. I am also thinking of going with them to the South. By South I mean Mysore, Ooty, Cochin, Ernakulam, Travancore, Cape Camorin and then back to Bangalore on November 2nd when the All India Radio Station of Bangalore will be opened by Dr. Keskar. I return after that. I am inclined to ask Gangutai to come with me in this trip. It will last for 14 or 15 days. She will enjoy the company of Meeratai. I do not know what she says, situated as she is at home now. However, do speak to her about this and write to me either to Bombay or to Ghataprabha to reach me on the dates on which I am in those stations.

What happened to your tender? Has it been accepted or rejected? Let me know.

I am leaving tomorrow morning for Bombay.

My love to all children at home.

Yours affectionately,

N

r. Bhaurao Shevde,
/o Sri R.K. Shevde,
ear Gurusiddappa's pond, HUBLI. (S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 6, 1955.

My dear Adranwala,

I have received letters from Mrs. Champabai Nimbkar of the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha and Miss. Mary Dhawale of the Women's Hospital, Hubli, stating that as they have gone through the nursing course in the Red-Fern Hospital, Hassan, fully and have secured a certificate from that institution, they would not like to go there again for training. They have urged me to send them to any institution in the State of Bombay where they could learn further and appear for the examination in nursing course. I think they are right. They should be sent to some other institution where they could have higher sort of knowledge in that course. Is it possible for you to make such arrangement? I do not know whether you have yet received any reply from the institution to which you had written about these two girls. Even if you do, think about the request they have made. Both of them are not only anxious to learn further, but are anxious to get themselves registered as Nurses. So, I think it is our duty to give them the necessary help they need. Please think over and write to me.

I am leaving tomorrow morning for Bombay en route Ghataprabha. Please do answer to me to the c/o Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, Dist Belgaum

With kindest regards,

Yours brother
NSH
(N.S. Hardikar)

Miss. Adranwala,
Adviser in Nursing,
Ministry of Health, Govt. of India, NEW DELHI.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

October 6, 1955.

My dear Sister,

Please pardon me for writing this letter to you.

I am the Administrator of the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, District Belgaum. This Institute is running a General Hospital, a T.B. Sanatorium, a Maternity Home and a School of Nursing. I am also connected with the -- Indian Women's Aid Society, Hubli, District Dharwar, as its President. This Society runs a Women's Hospital and a School of Midwifery.

Yours is a Technical Co-operation Mission interested, if I am not wrong, in giving supplies to the needy institutions serving the cause of ailing humanity.

I am anxious to know from you the nature of service you render, the assistance you give and the co-operation you expect.

As I am interested in getting the necessary help from you for the two Institutions with which I am connected, I am writing this letter to you. Will you be good enough to reply to me to the following address and send copies of the literature that you have published so far about your Organization?

"Dr. N.S. Hardikar,
c/o The Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum,"
Southern Railway

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Miss. Evelyn Hersey,
Technical Co-operation Mission,
American Embassy,
NEW DELHI.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

No.10, Akbar Road,

New Delhi,

October 6, 1955.

My dear Ramu,

Herewith please find a letter addressed to Mr. Mathuradas. Please do hand it over to him along with the accompaniments. Not knowing his present address I am sending this letter to you to be delivered to him. I want you to go through the whole thing and impress upon his mind the necessity of using the money sanctioned by the Government of India for the purpose for which it is meant. None of this is to go to clear loans of outstanding nature nor any money is meant to be deposited in Bank for further use.

I hope they will begin repairing the compound wall. I want you to help Mathuradas and Mahajan in getting that work done. As I am coming there soon, I am not writing more at this minute.

I do not know just exactly the position regarding the furniture that we have purchased from the Government for the Hospital. Have they sent the bills! The Collector has not written to me at all though I have written to him twice. However, I will speak to him when I reach Hubli.

I am sorry Sudha, Vidya and Saru are not yet better. God will.

My love to all,

Yours affectionately,

N.

(N.S. Hardikar)

Sri Ramarao Shevade,
Near Gurusiddappa's Pond,
HUBLI. (S.Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

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Dr. Miss. S. Mahajan,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI.
S. Railway.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th October, 1955

My dear Mathuradas,

Herewith please find a copy each of the letters that I have addressed to Mr. Pillai, Secretary of the Health Ministry, and one of the Under Secretaries of the Same Ministry. Along with that you will also find a copy of the estimates that I have kept. These are meant for your information and action.

I had asked for a contribution of Rs.25,000/- from the Health Ministry for the Women's Hospital. They have sanctioned only Rs.15,000/- for equipping the hospital and also carrying on the urgent work that is being faced by the hospital. Please note that nothing of this amount is to be spent on getting rid off loans. I spoke about the Rs.10,000/- loan from the Imperial Bank to the Director General of Health Services. He was angry at me. He said that the grants that are given by the Ministry are not meant to be deposited in banks, they are to be spent on the urgent needs of the hospital. Therefore, please remember this before spending any amount from the contribution that they have given. I am making this point clear to you because we shall have to render account to the Health Ministry later on. You should also remember that they will send their Inspectors to inspect the hospital and its working. At that time you will have to show just exactly how you have spent the amount that they have contributed.

When I come to Hubli I will throw more light on this subject. The correspondence that I am sending to you now is only a part.

I am sending a copy of this to Dr. Mahajan for her information and guidance. Please reply to me to the c/o Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, where I will be on 10th of this month.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

22nd August, 1955.

My dear Pillai,

I have been asking you to give us a grant for the Women's Hospital in Hubli. My request is pending for a long time. Just before I left for Hubli after the close of the last session of the Parliament we had a talk at Rajkumari's office on the 24th April, 1955. After that I had received a letter from Mr. V. Subramnian, an UnderSecretary in your Ministry, asking me to give information about the schemes that we had in mind for expansion in the Hospital. We are not going to take up any expansion work as such at the present moment, but in view of the heavy work that we are now handling we have to incur a good lot of expenditure. We need help for the same. I am, therefore, placing before you our requirements and I appeal to you to help us to further the cause that we have made our own. I will appreciate it very much if you will consider this application of mine at an early date and sanction the grant requested for.

As I had received a letter from your Under Secretary I had to address my reply to him. The same is being sent herewith.

Your brother,

Sd/- N.S. Hardiker

Shri V.K.S. Pillai,
Secretary,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI.

"Copy"

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

22nd August, 1955.

My dear Subramnian,

The first para of your letter No.F.1-11/55-A.1 (Pt.II) dated 4th/5th 1955, has already been answered to on the 8th of August. It referred to the non-recurring grant to the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha.

2. I now reply to the second para of the same letter. It is regarding the grant to the Indian Women's Aid Society Hospital (Women's Hospital), Hubli. You wanted me to give you information 'on the programme and expansion of the Hospital and the estimated expenditure connected with it to enable your Ministry to consider the question of making a grant".

3. The Women's Hospital has no immediate plans of expanding its activities on a large scale. It, however, is meeting the increasing demand for more beds and attention in the hospital. In its own way, though it is difficult for it, it is trying to satisfy the need. For the in-door patients we have been using the floor space available in between the cots in crowded wards and using all the material that is in hand. We have to continue to do this until we are able to construct a building for accommodating the growing demand. However, with the help that will be secured from the public as well as the Government we will proceed with thepresent method of accommodating more in-door patients until we are able to get enough money to expand on a bigger scale.

4. As we have been short of funds for the last 2,3 years, we have not been able to re-equip the hospital fully. We have to make provision for more cots, mattresses, linen, etc. and also equip the Society's office fully. By fully I mean we will have to have a typewriter and other furniture. We have a library; and we have to bring it up-to-date. For that purpose we need not only books but also book-cases, etc.

5. Twenty years ago the main building of the Society was built which made ~~xxxxxx~~ provision only for 12 beds and a small labour room. In recent years a number of buildings have been added with a fully equipped modern operation theatre. The ground area of the Society where this Women's Hospital is located is 6,400 sq yds. As this is a Women's Hospital they have erected a compound wall, 6 ft. high, surrounding the entire area. Without repairs it is standing in rain, sun and wind for so many years. It is now dilapidated. It needs immediate repairs. These repiars also have been pending for lack of funds.

6. Lastly, I have to point out to you that as it has been very difficult for us to collect money for the growing demand we have been running the hospital in deficit. Just at present we have a direct liability of about Rs.6,000/-.

7. I know that to ask you to give us money to pay our debts is wrong; but in order to come out of the difficulty which we are now facing I am asking you to help us by giving that amount also. I assure you that the same kind of request would not be repeated by us again; it will not be recurring. If we once get out of the present difficulty I am sure the Society will be in a position to raise funds in the near future and stand on its own feet, as it has been doing for the last 40 years.

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8. I hope I have made my position quite clear and given you a fair picuture as to why I want you to give the Women's hospital a grant of Rs.25,000/-, at least. As demanded by you I am attaching herewith a detailed list showing the estimated expenditure of our requirements.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Your brother,

Sd/- N.S. Hardiker.

Encl: 1.

Shri V. Subramaian,
Under Secretary,
Ministry of Health,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI.

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INDIAN WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY'S HOSPITAL.

(Women's Hospital, Hubli)

Estimated Expenditure for the maintenance and expansion of the Hospital.

Particulars of Articles.		Number.	Approx. Cost.	Amount. Rs.
Cots.	..	20	Rs.100/- each.	2,000
Mattresses with pillows.	..	40	Rs. 20/- "	800
Bed Sheets.	..	100	Rs. 6/- "	600
Chadder.	..	100	Rs. 8/- "	800
Blankets.	..	70	Rs. 25/- "	1,750
Towels.	..	100	Rs. 1/- "	100
Lockers.	..	40	Rs. 60/- "	2,400
Tables.	..	5	Rs. 25/- "	125
Chairs.	..	5	Rs. 12/- "	60
Benches.	..	5	Rs. 15/- "	75
Cupboard.	..	1	Rs.150/- "	150
Petromaxes.	..	4	Rs. 40/- "	160
Cycle.	..	1	Rs.225/- "	225
Boiler.	..	1	Rs. 75/- "	75
Library Books.	..	..	..	600
Book Cases.	..	4	Rs.100/- "	400
Mosquito Nets.	..	75	Rs.12/- "	900
Typewriter.	..	1	Rs.1300/- "	1,300
Charts, Maps, Models, Posters, individual bones, etc.	..		...	500
Bed pans, urine pots and other enamel wares.	..		...	250
Repairs for compound wall.	..		...	4,500
Radio set.	..	1	Rs.500 "	500
Ceiling Fans.	..	4	Rs.300 "	1,200
Table Fan.	..	1	Rs.150 "	150
Drums for storing water.	..	1	Rs.200/- "	200
Godrej Iron Safe.	..	1	Rs.200/- "	200
Hot water bags.	..	5	Rs. 15/- each	75
Old deficit to be cleared.	..		..	6,000
			Total.	26,145.

(Rupees Twentyfix thousand one hundred and fortyfive).

New Delhi, 22nd Aug.55.

For the Women's Aid Society.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 5, 1955.

My dear Iyer,

I did get your letter dated 24.10.55; but I got it at Bangalore on the 2nd. when I was just about to start for Delhi. It was lying in Hubli as per my instructions given to Bhau. I have just now received your letter dated 4.11.55 announcing your arrival in Bombay yesterday. Thanks.

I am sorry I have missed you here. Even if you had been told that I was coming here on the 5th, you would not have stayed for me here. I know you are a Government Officer and you cannot afford to do that. However, I will be reaching Bombay on the 11th by the Frontier Mail and proceeding immediately by the Deccan Queen the same day to Ghataprabha and Hubli. You know I have to return to Delhi before the 21st of this month as the Parliament opens on that day. So I am rushing back home now in order to see and meet the sick persons at home who are yet suffering from typhoid. Some of them are at Ghataprabha undergoing treatment at the hands of Dr. Vaidya. Some of them are yet in Hubli. My mind is there and not here. I have come for the All India Seva Dal Camp. It will be over on the 9th and then I run.

Krishnamurthy Rao is not here. I expect him on the 7th from Shillong where he has gone to attend the Speakers' Conference. When he comes I will again discuss the possibility of renting a house for myself and will let you know the result. Last time when I wrote to him he replied that he was deadly against my going away from his house. Let me see what happens this time. Let me assure you, however, that I will do all I can to make you comfortable here when you come. Anyway, more about this we will discuss when I come there.

You have not written anything about Raja and her health and what about Mohan? Have you heard from him? Please do reply immediately to this address.

Inform Krishna Raj and Bhaskar about my arrival at Bombay on the 11th morning by the Frontier Mail and also my departure the same afternoon.

With love to both of you,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Dr. A.S.E. Iyer,
Chowpatti Terrace,
Chowpatti,
BOMBAY-7.

Dr. N.S. Ha rdiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 5, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I was expecting your letter today. Possibly I get it on Monday. I have already written to you from Bangalore and wired to you from Trichur. You must have received both of them. I had to come away to Delhi in order to attend the Seva Dal Camp which will be closed on the 9th. On the 10th I leave back and be at Ghataprabha and Hubli on the 12th.

Along with this please find a letter addressed to Dr. Hitchsmanova. It announces the receipt of a cheque for 12,000 dollars from her. I am not sending the cheque now as I will see whether I can cash it at Bombay or not. If I can, I will bring the money and give it to you. Canadian 100 dollars today means Rs.474-4-0; but I do not know howmuch it will be on the day on which I cash it. After you get the amount you will send a final receipt to her.

Have you received Rs.31,000/- and what about Rs.35,000/-? I am anxious to know. I will get in touch with the Officers here and find out the fate of that amount.

If you go through the letter of Yemutai, you will know the rest.

Give my love to Vatsala and the children. Also please do not forget Dr. Balanke. Give him also my love.

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. M.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
BHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 5, 1955.

My dear Yemu,

Your letter dated 31.10.55 addressed to Bangalore was re-directed to this address by Dr. Partha. I got it this morning. It is only yesterday I dropped you a letter on the Nagpur Station. I have enclosed therein three copies of the Devi Kumari photographs; one for Vatsala, the other for Vimal and the third for you. I am sure you will get that letter along with this as tomorrow is Sunday and you will not get any mail on that day at Ghataprabha.

I am sorry to note the death of Vimal's father. Please do express my condolences to her.

Well, I knew that Champa Bai will go. I had told you about it. If her father permits allow her to go. We cannot hold her there by force. You may have to get, if necessary, another Nurse to attend to the work she was doing. I think the question of herSister also will rise, but of that I am not sure yet.

Even regarding the girls under training at Hubli, I had told you all about what I had felt. The ones now undergoing training at Ghataprabha are considerably superior to the ones at Hubli. Their faces are indications of their quality. Anyway, you have to attend to them more both at Hubli and at Ghataprabha when they come.

I am leaving Delhi on the 10th morning by the Frontier Mail. At Bombay I stop for only 8 hours on the 11th and will take the Deccan Queen at 5.10 P.M. On the morning of the 12th, I will be passing through Ghataprabha to Hubli; but if Sudha will be there still, I will get down, see her and then take my train again at night to reach home on the 13th morning at the time of snana. You have to meet me at the Station and tell me about Sudha. If she is not there I proceed further.

With love to you,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Yemutai Tindikar,
Matron,
Karnatak Health Institute, GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum,

10,Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 5, 1955.

My dear Bhau,

Your letter dated 3.11.55. Thanks. I have already written to you stating that I got all the mail that you had sent through Partha to Bangalore. Your letters to the care of Mr. Krishna Iyer at Tatapuram and at the All India Radio of Trivandrum also to hand. I have already written to you about it.

I am glad you have received the Fixed Deposit Receipt from Dharmastala. Please do write to them a card and thank them on behalf of the Trust.

I am glad to note that Sudha and Saroo are now better and are having no fever. I would like them to stay there for a number of days more. Let Vidya or Biju stay with them. There is no harm if one extra person is kept. Do not look to the expenditure. I want them to be better and I do not want them to suffer again on account of lack of attention on our part. Remember that.

Yes, my tour was indeed successful from every point of view. All told I spent 14 days with Dr. Keskar. The entire tour from Ghataprabha, except a small portion from Mysore to Coimbatore, was by Rail. We went in car on the other portion. As we were travelling in a saloon, I did not feel at all the exertion of journey. Meals were prepared by the cook. There were two Assistants of Dr. Keskar along with me and then Meera. Some of the time during day in the train, we were playing Chinese checkers. Some of the time we were simply chatting. Reading and writing was less.On the whole, the journey was excellent. That is the reason why I decided to travel to Delhi from Bangalore. It was absolutely necessary for me to come here on account of thecamp. So, instead of going back to Hubli and Ghataprabha and then taking my train at Bombay, I did not like. I know I have to return to Delhi again before the 21st. The strain of that journey I will have to thank.

As I have already written to you, I am returning home on the 12th noon by Mail unless I have to meet Sudha at Ghataprabha. In that case, I will get down at Ghataprabha on the 12th morning and take my train there at night for Hubli. That means that if I get down at Ghataprabha, I will readh Hubli on the 13th morning at about 4.30. Please note that I am not stopping at Bombay for more than 8 hours. I take the Deccan Queen on the 11th.

With love to all,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Mr. Bhaurau Shevade,
c/o Rama Rao Shevade,
Near Gurusiddappa's Pond,
HUBLI. (S.R.)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 5, 1955.

My dear Dr. Malhajani,

Your letter dated 4th to hand today. I saw the postal mark on the envelope. It bears 4.11.1955. In your letter you have said 4.11.1955. Today is 5.11.1955. That means within 24 hours your letter has come from Hubli to Delhi. This is the first letter I get so quick. That is good. This is what you expecting. Isn't it?

This morning I have wired to you announcing my safe arrival and requested you to inform Ganguthai at once. Please note that I am leaving Delhi on the 10th morning by the Frontier, reaching Bombay on the 11th morning and taking the Deccan Queen the same afternoon at 5-10. On the 12th morning I will be passing Ghataprabha and reaching Hubli on 12th noon. If Sudha will be at Ghataprabha on the 12th, then I will halt at Ghataprabha until night and take the express for Hubli, reaching the same on the 13th morning at 4. Please keep this in mind and do be writing to me accordingly.

I have written to Yamu to intimate to me about Sudha's condition. I have heard from her today. Vimal Jambotkar's father died at Ghataprabha. I am writing a condolence letter to her. You too do the same.

Vimal Kulkarni is here with me today. She will return to her hostel tomorrow evening. She is faring well. Her second test examination has taken place and she is expecting the results. She is sanguine of getting through this time.

It is getting cold here. Warm during the day and cold at night. I am told the difference in temperature between day and night is about 15°. Wonderful. I have not experienced this before. Anyway, have to use the clothes that I have.

I had gone to the Camp today. I will be visiting the same every day. Also I will have to sit and talk with the members of the deputations which come from Karnatak and from Mysore regarding the re-organisation of States.

Mrs. Melkote is here. She has come from the Social Welfare Board meetings. She will stay here until the 12th and then when Dr. Melkote will be here, she will return along with him to Hyderabad.

I have noted your programme of Diwali. I will definitely be there on the 12th noon or 13th morning.

With love,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Your letter of the 2nd along with the copy of the statements you have prepared about Champa Bai Nimbalkar reached my hands on Saturday 5th evening after I mailed mine to you. I have noted all the contents therein.

I am glad you have after all received Rs.31,000/- from Bombay. Today I will get in touch with the Officers of the Health Ministry and find out as to what has happened to Rs.35,000/- to Karnatak Health Institute and Rs.15,000/- for the Womens Hospital. I will be writing to you about the same.

I have already sent you a copy of the letter I have addressed to Dr. Hitchsmanova. I hold in my hand a cheque for 1,200 Canadian dollars made payable to the Karnatak Health Institute. When I reach Bombay I will speak to Mr. Badakere and see whether I can cash the same there. I am writing to Mr.Badakere in advance to see ~~him~~ on the Station on the 13th morning and take the cheque from me. In case I am unable to get it cashed, I will bring it along with me and hand it over to you for further disposal. After that you have to send her a regular official receipt. Please note that you have to prepare a budget to show the way in which you are going to spend this amount and submit a copy of the same to Dr. Hitchsmanova.

I am indeed glad to read that the C.O.R.SO. organization of New Zealand have sanctioned 1,000 pounds for village health work by the K.H.I. It will be better if you yourself draft a budget for the same. Show it to me when I come to Ghataprabha on the 14th. Then only I will be in a position to make some suggestions of mine. As it is my mind is not working on account of pain that I am having in my left leg which is swollen on account of the eczema which is weeping. So, I will speak about these affairs on the station on the 14th or else in the Guest House if I get down.

I have nothing to add to what I have already written about Champa Bai. Allow her to go if she wants. I pampered her enough. I have done all I can to help her and her family. Beyond what I have done already, I cannot do anything more. Why do you worry about what people say about such things as that. Hear it by one ear and leave it by the other?

Yes, do write to Mr. Nimbkar about sending some money for the Hardikar's residence. Do it now. It is better that we begin asking for it immediately. I have already expressed my doubts about the same.

I am glad you have received a new set of

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equipment from the U.N.I.C.E.F. and I am also glad to note that the Womens Hospital also has one.

With love to Vatsala and the children,

Yours affectionately,

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(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. M.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10 Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955.

My dear Badakere,

After finishing my tour of the Travancore-Cochin State I came here on Saturday the 5th to attend an All India Camp of Seva Dal. I am returning. I am taking the Frontier Mail on the 12th for Bombay and going straight to Hubli. I will alight at the Bombay Central at about quarter to 9 A.M. on the 13th and leave that city by the Deccan Queen at 5.10 P.M. the same evening. I want you to see my on the Bombay Central itself as I am not well, have a pain in leg. I may need some help. Also I have a cheque of 1,200 Canadian dollars sent to us By Dr. Hitchsmanova for using it to run the Ambulance Car. The cheque is drawn on the Bank of Montreal on the 13th of October 1955 bearing No.09350. It is made payable to the order of Karnatak Health Institute and it is on the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd., Combay, India. On the cheque in green it is stamped "Payable at the drawee Banks buying rate for demand drafts on Montreal". I will give you the cheque and the letter as also the copy of the acknowledgement that I have written for the proper disposal. As I am leaving the same day in the evening at 5 I want this to be attended to immediately as every pie that comes to our hand at this time is helpful to the Institute. So, go to the Bombay Central on the 13th morning at the time of the Frontier Mail. Please also note that if I am better and I want a car, You will have to give it to me to run about in the city.

I do not know what you have done about Rs.35,000/- for the Institute and Rs.15,000/- for the Womens Hospital. I am glad at last the Rs.31,000/- have reached the hands of Dr. Vaidya. Thank you for all the troubles that you have taken to make our way easy.

Where is Mr. Nimbkar? Has he returned from London? If he has, then show this letter to him. If he has not then give me some information about him when we meet.

More when we meet.

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Shri S.R. Badakere,
c/o Consolidated Neumatic Tools Ltd.,
Liberty Building,
Marine Lines,
BOMBAY-1

P.S.: As the 13th, the date of my arrival at Bombay falls on Sunday, it will be impossible for you to cash the cheque. Therefore, as soon as you get this letter, please make enquiries as to whether it could be cashable at Belgaum

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if the same is taken by me to Ghataprabha.
If not, I will be handing over the cheque to you
after signing and you do the rest. Anyway meet
me on the 13th at the Bombay Central.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955.

My dear Mathuradas,

I have not written to you for some time. I am here in Delhi now. Came direct from Cape Camorin via Bangalore, Madras, Nagpur and Itarsi. I am returning to Hubli via Bombay on the 12th noon. I will stay there for two or three days at the most and return to Delhi in order to attend the Parliament. I am not well. My leg is swollen and is paining on account of the increased eczema. However, I have to move and I am moving.

You must have received Rs.7,550 or something like that for the Family Planning activity. Dr. Mahajan wrote to me saying that the same is deposited in the Bank. We have to work and show what we can do for the family planning. Sit with Mahajan, Rama Rao and Madiman and plan the whole thing immediately. I would like you to go in the habit of not waiting for me for anything regarding the Hospital. I want you and Devidas to take more and more interest and leave me alone to take rest. Whatever was possible for me to do in the past I have done. I do not want you to expect the same to do in the future also. I want you to know that I am an aged man and I am slightly loosing strength that is necessary for hard work. So youngsters like Devidas and yourself must exert and do the needful to develop the Society. It is not necessary for me to tell the same thing again and again. I want you to show this letter to Mr. Devidas and discuss it with him. Tell him that I have hopes in him and slowly he should shoulder the entire responsibility of running the hospital.

With love to you all,

Your brother,
N.S.H.
(N.S. Hardiker)

Shri Mathuradas,
Jairajini,
HUBLI.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955

My dear Viswanath,

Your letter dated 5th. I got it yesterday evening. Thanks. At the very outset I must apologise to you and to Mr. Rao for not telephoning to you at Bangalore as decided between us. I was extremely busy going here and there and in doing so I forgot to get in communication with you. For this fault of mine I apologise to you both. I am leaving Delhi on the 10th morning. So, if Mr. Rao gets in touch with me as soon as he reaches Delhi on the 8th morning, I will certainly do what little I can for him. I want to tell you, however, that the eczema on my left foot and leg is troubling me and it has been impossible for the last two days to even lift the foot. I have to carry on with the pain in my leg and go about doing my work. I do not know how in this pain of my leg I will be able to reach Hubli when I leave on the 10th.

In so far as the advertisement to 'Jai Hind' is concerned, I have left everything to you and to Mr. Rao. If you want me to survive, give me some advertisements which may bring some money for the weekly. If not, do anything you like. Do write to Mr. Managoli about the talk that we had at Bangalore about advertisements for 'Jai Hind'. I have been very plain about the stand that I have taken. I do not want you to base your judgments on the circulation figures. After all they are not such as to bring me money to meet the expenditure. So even when you write to Mr. Managoli do not depend upon the figures. It is all that I have to say.

In answer to this letter, I want you to writ to me to Hubli where I will be on the 11th noon.

With love to you and to Mr. Kardekar.

Your brother,

NSH

(N.S. Hardikar)

Shri V. Viswanathan,
c/o D.J. Keymer,
10 Mount Road,
MADRAS-2.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955.

My dear Bhau,

I have your card dated 4.11.55. I am sure by the time you get this letter you will be back at Hubli. Dr. Vaidya has written to me saying that you will not allow both Saroo and Sudha to go back until the Divali. He would have sent them along with me if I had reached Ghataprabha on the 12th, but now as I have changed the date ofmy departure from Delhi, I am writing to Dr. Vaidya not to waitfor me. If he feels that the patients are better, he should allow them to go even before I reach Ghataprabha.

As I am not getting the reservation in the Frontier on the 10th, I am leaving on the 12th by the Frontier. Immediately I reach Bombay, I take my train there in the evening and reach Hubli on the 14th noon, i.e., I will be late by two days. Please tell Gangutai about this.

I must write to you and say that my left leg is giving me trouble. The eczema is weeping and weeping much. It has become impossible for me to even lift my foot. It pains. It is swollen. It has kept me in bed at least for a day now. This is also the cause of my change in the date of departure. Please inform Dr. Mahajan and others.

More again,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. Hardikar)

Mr. Bhaurau Shevade,
c/o Mr. Rama Rao Shevade,
Near Gurusiddappa's pond,
HUBLI.
(S. Railway).

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10 Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 7, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

On Saturday the 5th I got your letter and have acknowledged the same immediately. I have not heard from after that.

I am not leaving on the 10th as written to you already. It is not possible for me to get reservations on the 10th. Therefore I have to change my programme. My foot is troubling me very much. The eczema is weeping. The foot is swollen. It is difficult for me to stand on that foot. It has kept me in beg for some time. Therefore I cannot move much. Mr. Hukerikar is here. He too will be going to Bombay on the 12th morning by the Frontier Mail. So I will be in Bombay on the 13th morning by the Frontier and will take the Deccan Queen the same afternoon for Hubli. I will be in Hubli on Monday the 14th by Mail. I will see when I reach Ghataprabha whether I should get down there and take my train at night. Please tell Gangu Tai, Rama Rao of Modern Motors, Chichidi and Mathuradas about this change.

I have written to Dr. Vaidya about the receipt of 1,200 dollars from Dr. Hitchsmanova of Canada. 1,200 dollars mean 5,600 and odd rupees. This amount is made to run the Ambulance Car given by her for one year. It is one year's expenditure. I have acknowledged the same.

I am glad you have been sent Rs.4,000/- from Ghataprabha. Whatever expenditure you have already incurred, please submit the same to Dr. Vaidya and take the amount from them. Do not keep anything in arrears.

With love to you all,

Yours affectionately,
Narayan
(N.S. Hardiker)

Yesterday's letter of 5th along with a copy of the report submitted by Dr. Vaidya to Dr. Mahajan, Women's Hospital, HUBLI, (S. Railway) received just now at 6 P.M.

Show copy of letter to Mathuradas Thin

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10 Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 8, 1955.

My dear Dr. Balankhe,

I have your letter. I could not reply the same yesterday. I have already written to Dr. Vaidya and wired to him about the change in the date of my departure from Delhi. You should expect me on the 14th morning on your station. If absolutely necessary I will get down there that morning and proceed to Hubli by the Express at night. If not, I will be at Hubli that noon. While returning from Hubli for Delhi three days later, I will halt at Ghataprabha and spend a few hours with you all.

Today is 9th. You will get this letter on the 11th. Divali begins on the 13th. I am sure you have asked all the in-mates of the Institute to keep everything clean and observe Health Day as previously announced. I wanted to write to you from Trivandrum itself and remind you of the circular that you had issued before; but I thought that you will not forget the action that you are supposed to take. If you have not already done so, at least do it now and let everybody do the cleaning work on Saturday the 12th. Atleast a reminder to all the in-mates is absolutely necessary.

Have you received copies of Reports which you had given for printing to Mr. Bhurao Shevade? Have you distributed the same? If you have any copies bring some for me to the station on the 14th morning.

Have you given money to Mr. Mantri for purchasing the chickens? I had requested Dr. Vaidya to sanction the amount which he wanted. I think I have told you also about it. He wanted not more than Rs.30/- plus material for a compound etc. Please see that it is given to him and request him to start the work on the poultry. Let him begin it if he has not already begun on Kartika Suddha Pratipada. I ought to have made enquiries about this long ago. Somehow I have forgotten.

With love to you all,

Yourbrother,

N.S.H.

(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. G.T. Balankhe, M.S.,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA.
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 9, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Your letter of yesterday, dated 8th reached me this (9th) noon; that means it has come within 24 hours from Hubli to Delhi. This is the 2nd letter I get. I have mentioned about the 1st letter in my last.

I have not received any letter from after the one you wrote on the 5th. You said you have not written on the 8th., but did you write it on Sunday. Evidently not, because I have not received any letter from you yesterday.

I am glad you have squared all your debts. Please do not keep any. Just ask everybody to give bills and submit them at once to the proper authorities. It is always troublesome and dangerous to keep them pending.

Regarding the Family Planning, your plan is all right. Do speak to Mr. Mathuradas and get it done. Do not ask Bombay to send a male Doctor for teaching. Instead Shakuntala Pranjipe is best. Speak about that also to your Secretary. We shall have to stand her expense and get her there. Also we shall have to purchase a projector immediately according to the plan suggested by the Government itself. We must get it. You can speak to Dr. Vaidya about it. If he wants to sell his, we can take it. If not we shall have to get a new one from Bombay. Anyway, I will be there on the 14th noon. We shall discuss the whole thing at night if it is not late. Anyway you start the ball rolling now even before I come and begin the work. You should not wait any longer. I have written to Yemu today. I hope she will get the letter at Ghataprabha on the 11th. I remember to have written in your letter that she was to go to Belgaum on the 12th. In that case she is sure to get mine on the 11th.

Now that I am reaching Hubli on the 12th, are you thinking of going to Belgaum on the 13th along with the boys. If you do, then you can join me at Ghataprabha and go with me to Hubli. Whatever that may be do inform me either here or at Ghataprabha itself unless you write to Bombay by Express Delivery on the 12th itself, so that the letter will be lying at Iyer's waiting my arrival the next day.

The swelling of my foot is less. The eczema has stopped weeping, but the paid is there. I walk a little and go to the camp. I had been yesterday morning also this morning. I did take Auromycin - eight capsules within two days. It has helped me much to regain my stamina. I have now discontinued it. I am feeling better that way. Please give this information to Gangutai and others at home.

Did you get my wire sent to you on Monday the

p.t.o.

7th.

With love to you all,

Yours affectionately,

N.

(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. Mahajan,
Womens' Hospital,
HUBLI.
(S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

November 9, 1955.

My dear Yemu,

I am sure you have received my letters one which I dropped from Nagpur together with photographs and the other from Delhi after I reached. By this time You must have come to know that instead of 12th I reach Ghataprabha Station on the 14th morning. I am sure You will not be there on that day. Your Maoshi has written to me saying that you are also going to Belgaum for the Divali holidays. By all means you go. Your girls also are going for six days. Is it not? Then why should you not? On the 14th if I do not get down at Ghataprabha, I will meet you on the Belgaum Station at about 9 A.M. If not when I return to Ghataprabha en route again for Delhi.

I had asked you to take down three questions to be asked to the girls. Have you asked them? When are you expecting the replied? You have to treat the answers as examination papers. If you have not done so already please, after the Divali holidays, do it and show the answer papers to those who read the first papers.

When you go to Belgaum give my pranams to your parents.

With love to you,

Yours affectionately,

N.

(N.S. Hardiker)

Smt. Yemutai Tinakar,
Matron,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum.

Dr.N.S.Hardikar.

Ghataprabha,
30th November 1955.

My Dear Mathuradas:

A copy of the Notice issued by your office regarding the Meeting of the Governing Body to be held on the 1st December 1955 has been received by me. Thanks for the same.

I am sorry I am unable to attend the Meeting though I am not far away from Hubli. I am unwell and I am undergoing treatment at Ghataprabha. Please excuse me for my absence from the Meeting. I am sure, however, that what is necessary to be done in making the Women's Hospital a first rate Institution in Karnatak will be done by all of you.

Dr. M. K. Vaidya, the Chief Medical Officer of the Karnatak Health Institute, tells me that he has written to you about the new proposal made by the Health Department of the Government of India. The said Department is anxious to train a number of girls as 'Auxilery Nurses' and 'Mid-Wives'. For this purpose, they have recognised the Karnatak Health Institute. They have allowed them to take help of any other Institution or Institutions in their training work. The first batch of 30 girls are now undergoing training,- 15 in Ghataprabha and 15 in Hubli. They want another batch of either 15 or 20 to be trained. The Karnatak Health Institute is going to accept this offer and wants to equally divide the number of trainees between the Women's Hospital at Hubli and their own Institution as they did before. That means in addition to the 15 that you have already taken, you will have to take another 10 or so and train them for two years. I know that it is an additional responsibility. If I were you I will certainly accept it. By accepting the offer we shall not be loosing anything. On the contrary, we will be able to enhance our own prestige. So, I suggest the offer be accepted and Dr.Vaidya be informed accordingly.

In so far as the items on the Agenda are concerned, I need not write anything. I had already had discussions with some of you about the same and you know my opinion. All that I want is smooth running of the Hospital by joint efforts of all of us. It is service of the ailing humanity that we should offer.

At this stage, I wish to inform you and the other members of the Society that due to age my flesh is slowly refusing to work. Naturally, therefore, my activities are slowing down. I have now to seriously think of resigning my membership of the Indian Women's Aid Society and concentrating on only one or two activities which are near to my heart and where my colleagues are anxious for my cooperation. Moreover, I have found I am incapable of helping the Women's Hospital of

P.T.O.

Hubli. So, I should clear the way for those who will be more active and more helpful to the Institution.

I would have sent the resignation of my membership and Presidentship of the Society now only, but I thought that it would be proper on my part to place the resignation in a Meeting of the Governing Body which will be attended by me personally.

With kindest regards,

Your Brother,

(N.S.Hardikar)

To

Shri. Mathuradas Jerajani,
Secretary,
Women's Hospital,
H U B L I.

सत्यमेव जयते

D.O.No.12-TG/55/MP/15.

DEPUTY MINISTER,
TRANSPORT & RAILWAYS, INDIA

New Delhi, the 6th December'55

Will you please refer to your letter to Shri Lal Bahadurji dated the 24th August, 1955, regarding punishments imposed on the Travelling Ticket Examiners on the Hubli District of the Southern Railway for their failure to collect the expected amount of excess fare earnings from ticketless travellers.

2. I have had the matter looked into and enclose a Note prepared by the Railway Board, which explains the position.

Yours sincerely,

(O.V.Alagesan)

Dr. N.S.Hardikar, M.P.,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Encl: One Note.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 16, 1955.

My dear Puttappa,

At the very outset I beg your pardon for not replying to you earlier. I was suffering from eczema and laid down in the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. At the call of the Whip. I came here two days ago and I am now returning to Ghataprabha. I could not do any normal work; hence the delay.

I am indeed glad to get the copies of your two poems. Splendid. In the past, as I have already told you, I have read some of your poems. I have liked them and would re-read them as soon as I lay my hands on those books. In the meantime, I thank you again for the ready response you gave to my request.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Shri K.V. Puttappa,
Principal,
Maharajas College,
MYSORE.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 16, 1955.

Copy

My dear Shamala Bai,

Please read the letters of Dr. Mahajan and Mr. Mathura Das, which I have written today only. They speak for themselves.

I want you to see that all exercise books, notes and diaries of the girls whom you are training are kept perfectly in order. I am sure they are writing diaries regularly everyday. If not, please do ask them to do so. I want you also to keep your library in tack. Make a list of the books that you have, but do divide them into technical and non-technical. I would like to purchase technical books for you all. Whatever books you want you prepare a list and hand it over to Dr. Mahajan to be submitted to the Secretary.

Whatever might have happened, I do not want to think about it. Whatever might have been said, I do not want to ponder over it. Let us stand on our merit, and proceed further. Let us go in the habit of sound thinking and seeing far ahead of our times with a view to do better things in this world. It is love that begets love. Hatred may help for the time being, but ultimately it ruins all. Let us learn to love and tolerate the misgivings, misdeeds of miscreants. That alone will teach them a lessor. Keep this in mind and work. While working honestly, sincerely and being loyal to the institution to which you belong, we are forced to suffer. Let us suffer ungrudgingly without any murmer, but let us not be the harbingers of hatred. That is the worst thing that we could do.

I will write to you again. In the meantime give my love to Vidya Bhagavat.

Yours affectionately,

Dr. Miss. Shamala Bai.
HUBLI.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 16, 1955.

My dear Mathura Das,

I have already written to you from running Deccan Queen. I am sure you have received the same.

I write to you today to say that you should not in the least give any thought to any provocation and work for the betterment of the Institution to which you belong; dismiss all prejudices from your mind and give credit to the ignorance of men who without knowing anything utter what they like in their enthusiasm. I want you to know that that is how you have to make the best of the world in which you are born; otherwise life becomes hell. Calm and cool should our attitude be towards all that happens. Tolerance does win even deadliest enemies. So tolerate all and leave them for the sake of making humanity happy. You are shrewd. I need not advise you in the manner in which I have now done; but as recent utterances of your friends have up-set your mind, I am forced to pen these few lines.

Proceed with the good work in the Hospital. The compound wall is to be repaired. It is not necessary to touch every part of it. Whatever is absolutely necessary we should repair or build anew. The old material also should be used for this purpose. I have put Rs.4,500/- in the budget. You should not spend all. You can save something from that amount. The same could be used for other purposes such as improving gardening or creating a badminton court etc.

Then look to the needs of the Hospital in-mates. A number of things are to be purchased yet. If another batch of girls is to be taken for training, we need accommodation for them also. We need cots, mattresses, tables, chairs etc,for them . There is a lack of library of scientific books in our Hospital. You must purchase scientific books and also subscribe to some of the scientific magazines so that the staff may get additional up-todate knowledge of the subjects they handle. I want you to think about these things, consult your colleague members and Dr. Mahajan and then purchase the same.

You should remember that after all we, members of the Governing body have to look to the administrative side and not to the technical one. In all technical matters, the advice of the Medical Officer should be sought. It is she who is directly responsible for all that takes place in the Hospital. We the members are there to help the Medical Officer and the staff and make their work easy so as to help them to be efficient in everything. We cannot go pouncing upon them every now and them and criticising them day in and day out. After all man has hiw own defects and drabacks. We have to correct them and then proceed with the work on hand. If we begin to get rid of everyone as he or she does not come up to our mark, it will be impossible for us to do anything in this world as it is not at all possible to get perfect human material. So, whatever we get we should use, but use it very cautiously keeping in mind the defects and draw-backs of those whom you use.

p.t.o.

I am feeling much better. I am leaving Delhi on the 24th morning by the Frontier Mail. We will halt at Bombay either for 8 hours or for the whole day on the 25th and then proceed to Ghataprabha. I will be at Ghataprabha on the 26th morning or at night by the Express. I want you to reply to me to this address immediately.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

Shri Mathuradas Jairajini,
HUBLI.

Dr.N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 16, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Herewith please find two letters, one to Mathura Das and the other to Shamala Bai. Please deliver the same to them. There is no letter today from you nor from Vaidya. I may yet get them.

I have already informed you about Miss. Adranwala's trip to Hubli and Ghataprabha. It is to be on the 31st of December and 1st of January. She visits Hubli first and then Ghataprabha. As she comes to Ghataprabha from Hubli, she travels in car via Soudatti and Yergatti. She desires to see some of the village centres now being run by the K.H.I. on the Gokak Road, in addition to the inspection of the two Hospitals. I am afraid two days will not be enough for this purpose. I am going to ask her to give me another day. If she can, then it will be easy for her to devote much of her time to these three purposes. I will let you know tomorrow if a change takes place.

I hope you have kept everything in a perfect order in the Hospital. Keep your records clean and bring them up-to-date. She will see them. Records regarding midwifery school should be there. Everything regarding the training that is now being given to the auxiliary nurses and midwives must also be shown to her. I have asked her to go through our work and point out to us the mistakes that we may have committeed in the execution of the work.

I am feeling better. The itching sensation is there yet. It has not disappeared. Skin is too dry. I do apply oil, but after all in this cold weather how can I be without clothes on my body. Even hot water bath becomes impossible. So when I go back to Ghataprabha or come to Hubli, I get myself massaged with olive oil as Dr. Sathe has suggested. I am not doing it here.

Chandru and Sundru together with Shantu and their aunt have left today for Bombay en route to Shimoga. The marriages of the first two have been fixed on the 6th of January at Shimoga. Krishnamurthy Rao and myself leave on the 24th morning by the Frontier Mail and reach Bombay on the 25th morning. Either after 8 hours or after full day's stay at Bombay, we will proceed to Ghataprabha. That means I will be at Ghataprabha on the 26th either in the morning by Mail or at night by Express and Krishnamurthy Rao will proceed further to Shimoga. We have already booked our passage. Please show this letter and the letter of Mathura Das to Shamala Bai.

With love to all,

Yoursaffectionately,

Dr. Mahajan,
Womens Hospital,
HUBLI,
S. Railway.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 16, 1955.

My dear Badakere,

I do not know whether Mr. Nimbkar is going to Ghataprabha on the 19th or 20th. If he goes, I would like you to send some of the material that you would purchase for Ghataprabha. Whatever remains to be sent, I will take it along with me on the 25th. A copy of the list of articles that you will send with Mr. Nimbkar be sent to Dr. Vaidya and a copy of the material that you will send with me should be given to me when I go. Please do attend to this at your earliest and let me know soon as you finish this particular work.

I am reaching Bombay on the 25th morning by the Frontier and will leave Bombay for Ghataprabha on the 26th morning by Poona Express. Please give this information to Mr. Nimbkar.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardiker

Shri S.R. Badakere,
c/o Consolidated Neumatic
Tools (India) Ltd.,
Liberty Building,
Marine Line,
BOMBAY.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

December 17, 1955.

My dear Vatsala,

Your letter. Thanks. It was directed from Bombay to Delhi. It must have come there a day late.

I have already sent you a copy of the list of articles you had given to me. You must have received it yesterday (16th) as I know I mailed it on the 14th night. You have to write to Mr. S.R. Badakere for any change in the number of articles or any changes you desire. I have written so to Dr. Vaidya in my letter of the 14th. I hope he has received it and you have seen it. I had asked Mr. Badakere to send you some of those articles with Mr. Nimbkar if at all he goes to Ghataprabha. The remaining ones or the entire lot would be brought by me when I come to Ghataprabha on the 26th. I am sure Mr. Badakere will keep them ready for him. Therefore please do write to him immediately as to the changes you desire to make in the list. Let him have enough time to purchase the entire lot before I reach Bombay.

Miss. Adranwala has given the 31st of this month and the 1st of January as the date of her inspection of the Ghataprabha School and the Hubli School. She would like to see your village centres on one of those two days. I intend go take her there either while going to Hubli or while returning from Hubli to Ghataprabha. I want your suggestion about it.

Ask Dr. Vaidya also to prepare a rought draft programme for Miss. Adranwala keeping in mind that she reaches Ghataprabha on the 31st morning by Mail and leaves Ghataprabha on the 1st night by Mail. The journey to Hubli or from Hubli should be in car.

With love to the children,

Yours affectionately.

Mrs. Vatsala Vaidya,
GHATAPRABHA.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

December 18, 1955.

My dear Iyer,

As soon as I reached Delhi, I wrote to you and to Bhasker. My foot and leg are not yet completely better. I have not been doing anything for them, though, I have purchased all medicines prescribed by Dr. Sathe. I am waiting for the 24th of this month. On that day both Mr. Krishnamurthy Rao and myself will leave by the Frontier Mail for Bombay and reach your City on the 25th morning. We intend proceeding to Hubli the same evening by the Deccan Queen. You know Mr. Krishnamurthy Rao's two daughters Chandrika and Sundru are to get married on the 6th of January at Shimoga. Hence he is running. As I have some work connected with the marriages of his daughters at Dharwar, I will also go with him and finish that work on the 26th. Then I return to Ghataprabha and stay there for 4 days taking Dr. Vaidya's treatment. Please do give this information to Raja.

I do not know whether you have decided to go to Ghataprabha for a general check-up at the hands of Dr. Vaidya. I will love to have you there with me. Please do let me know. I know I will not be of much service to you when you are at Ghataprabha, but I want you to remember that I have a desire to serve you in my own way, as much as my body allows. It shall be very fine, indeed, if Raja also goes there and stays for a week.

We have been thinking of getting Mr. K. Hanumanthiah, the Chief Minister of Mysore, to come and open that building some time during the 3rd week of January. It should be done before the 26th of January as he will have no time either on that day or after that. The whole thing has to be fitted in before the opening ceremony takes place. We will get it done. Will you attend that ceremony? I will let you know. More again.

Love to Raja.

Yours affectionately,

Shri A.S.C. Iyer,
Chowpatti Terrace,
Chowpatti,
BOMBAY.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

December 17, 1955.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

I hope you have received a cheque for the Rs.15,000/-. I have written yesterday to Mathuradas. I have requested him to start work on the compound wall. Please do have consultations with him.

I had a talk with Miss. Adranwala this morning. She is not in a position to give three days. Only 31st and 1st, two full days; that is all that she can give. I have told her that the programme will be drafted by me and given to her. I will do so after I consult Dr. Vaidya and yourself. If you have any suggestions to make, please do so. Let me have them before I leave Delhi. Your last letter should reach me on Friday the 23rd by express delivery.

Yours affectionately,

Dr. Mahajan,
Womens Hospital,
HUBLI.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

December 17, 1955.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

So far at least I am without trouble, except, of course, that the eczema is yet troubling. The itching sensation is there. I have not been doing anything for it. All medicines that I purchased at Bombay as instructed by Dr. Sathe are lying with me untouched. Somehow I have not been able to make up my mind to touch them. It seems that I will bring them all together and place them at your doors. You do anything you like after I come.

In the letter addressed to Vatsala, I have written about Miss. Adranwala. She has told me today that it is not possible for her to give three days as I wanted her to do. The 31st December and 1st of January are settled. Maximum time of these two days is to be spent on the inspection of the two schools and a visit to your village centres. The programme is to be drafted by us and sent to her. Will you draft it? While doing so, please keep in mind the exact time given to us from the 31st morning 7 O'Clock to the 1st night 8.15. This is all the time that she has given to us. In this is included the time spent in going to and coming from Hubli. You can take her in car to Hubli via your villages or you can bring her from Hubli via those villages, whichever you like. Draft the programme accordingly and send me a copy by express delivery immediately so that I will have a talk with her and fix up everything. I want to finish it here only as we will have no time to think about it after I come to Gataprabha. I have written to Dr. Mahajan also.

Krishnamurthy Rao has already invited the Chief Minister of Mysore Mr. Hanumanthiah to Ghataprabha. He has consented. Mr. Krishnamurthy Rao wants to know whether Hardikar's residence could be opened by Hanumanthiah sometime before the 20th of January. Can you fix a day, say between the 15th to 20th January. After that both Krishnamurthy Rao and Hanumanthiah as also Hukkerikar will have no time. 26th of January is the day when all those leaders will have to be at their own places. If it is possible for you to arrange, please write to me at once. Then I will write to Hanumanthiah officially. But please remember that your consent means getting the entire house ready before the dateof opening. Is it possible for you to do so? Ask Bheema Rao if you so desire or ask Maistry to hurry up and work day and night in order to get the whole thing finished before the date given to us by Krishnamurthy Rao. I think we ought to be able to finish it. I certainly desire Hanumanthiah to come and open it. Remember he is going to be our next Chief Minister and we will have to deal with the Government of Mysore henceforward.

With love to all,

Yours affectionately,

M.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

22nd December, 1955.

My dear Dr. Sontakke,

I have your letters. Thanks. Pantji's programme was not finalised. Therefore, I could not write to you, though I am here for the last five days. I am now told that he has not accepted your invitation. He is going to Hubli, however, for other programmes. I am sorry you had to unnecessarily worry about this programme business.

Mr. K. Hanumanthiah, the Chief Minister of Mysore, has been invited for the opening of the Administrative Block at the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, the main block of the Janata College at Dharwar and some other similar functions, in the districts of Belgaum and Dharwar. We have also thought of requesting Mr. Hanumanthiah to perform the opening of your Colony too, provided you agree to it. The probable dates are from 15th January to 22nd January. If you have no objection, let me know when I come to Hubli on Monday, the 26th of this month. Then we will include that function also in the programme that will be drafted by Mr. S.V. Krishnamoorthy Rao, Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha, and Mr. R.S. Hukeriker, Chairman of the Legislative Council, Bombay.

I am reaching Hubli on Monday, the 26th, sometime before 3 P.M. with Mr. Krishnamoorthy Rao. I cannot give any exact time as I am alighting at Dharwar for some work of Mr. Krishnamoorthy Rao. So, please find out from Sanyuktha Karnataka Office the exact time of our arrival there that afternoon, so that we can meet, if nowhere else, at least on the station platform at about 3-45 P.M. Mr. Krishnamoorthy Rao goes to...

to Haridar by mail. Therefore, we will be on the Hubli station from 3-45 to 4-15 P.M., the departure time of mail to the South.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Dr. D.K. Sontakke, MB., BS.,
Hubli,(S. Railway).

15, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 22, 1955.

My dear Devayani,

Some time ago when I was in Ghataprabha I had your card. I think it was re-directed from Hubli. Whatever it is, I am glad you wrote, and I am sorry I did not reply to you immediately. I was not well. I have an old constitutional trouble. I have been suffering from eczema - a skin disease. All of a sudden it appears on my left foot and leg and it bothers me. The leg was swollen. I got fever. I was in Delhi then. Only on account of that I had to return and lie down in Ghataprabha. Inwas there for more than 20 days. I came to Delhi on the 14th of this month, only to vote. I am now returning to Ghataprabha on the 24th of this month and will stay there. This explains my silence to your card. Please pardon me for the same.

I have been meeting Lakshmanan. He has been speaking about you and about the child also. He told me that he will bring you back after he finishes the Conference in Trivandrum. I will not be in a position to see you when you come here as I will not be here until the first week of February. We will certainly meet then. I will be indeed glad to see the boy and play with him if you allow me to do so. Lakshmanan of course willnot allow me to take the boy as he is anxious himself to pay withhim, and will never tolerate anybody else's touching him. I hope you won't do that.

Is he troubling you? I know he has not yet begun to play. He might not even lie in your lap. When he begins to do that he will make you feel jump from one place to another and you will threaten him with mild blows. Am I correct? That is what every child - a playful child - does. You did it. Lakshmanan did it. I did it. Everyone does it. Therefore, you should not be worried about the troubles that the little child gives. You must enjoy it. That is pleasure. That is joy to one's life. We have to caress him and/~~give~~ kiss him to our heart's content.

even if he troubles you.

How is your health? Have you gained any weight? How much? Have you begun your normal diet? Probably when you come here it will be very cold. You ~~have~~ might have experienced it before. But now, as you are bringing the child, a growing child, you have to come well prepared to protect both the child and its mother. Of course the father is there to help you and help the baby to do everything regarding protection. But unless you cooperate with him, how can he manage?

What are you going to bring for us from your lovely home? I am sure you have not foregotten your friends here. They will naturally, when you come back, ask you not only about your health, but about the presents that you might have brought along with you for them.

Well I have written enough. For the present I say good-bye to you.

With love to all of you,

Yours affectionately,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

Mrs. Devayani Lakshmanan,
11, Rajah Street,
Big Kancheepuram, (S. India)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
December 27, 1955.

My dear Rajkumariji,

At your suggestion I am writing this letter.

We want one staff nurse for the Karnatak Health Institute for two years on a salary of Rs. 100/- plus an all-inclusive allowance of Rs. 88/-, i.e. Rs. 188/- with an annual increment of Rs. 5/-. This is according to the Government scale suggested by your Ministry for the Auxiliary Nurses and Midwives training scheme.

We had given an advertisement in the Hindu of Madras, a Kannada daily in Hubli, a Marathi daily from Poona and the Nurses' Journal published by the T.N.A.I. from Delhi. We received about 50 applications. Those who came for interview were not up to the mark. However, we had employed one who had her training at Vellore and had served at Nanlessaadi for eight years. She joined her duty in the month of September and resigned this month on the plea that the climate was unsuitable to her and to her family.

As we were not in a position to get any, we again advertised in theNurses' Journal and are awaiting applications. I do not know whether this time at least we will be successful in securing a good nurse who will stick up to the job.

We want one sister tutor, knowing Kannada, for the Women's Hospital at Hubli. The scale of pay is the same as prescribed by your Ministry. It is Rs. 150/- plus Rs. 88/- with an annual increment of Rs. 10/-. We want this sister tutor for teaching the auxiliary nurses and midwives. Naturally, therefore, we want her to know at least a little of Kannada, a language of the province where she has to go and serve. We have not been able to get any so far, though we have been trying for the last eight months. You will be surprised to know that even Miss Adhianwala and Dr.(Mrs.) Bhatia of your Ministry have helped us in this matter. They too have not succeeded. We have written to the Deans of some of the Medical Colleges and also to the Heads of some ofthe big hospitals in the South for helping us in securing a good sister tutor and a staff nurse. We have not been able

to get any from any source. Under these circumstances, what to do? How are we to proceed?

As you have said in the Consultative Meeting today, I depend on you to secure for us a good staff nurse for the Karnatak Health Institute and a sister tutor for the Women's Hospital in Hubli on the salaries prescribed for them by your Ministry. The sooner you help us to get these two for us the better it shall be for the work of training that we have now undertaken. Will you please try?

With kind regards,

Your brother,

(N.S. HARDIKAR)

The Hon'ble Rajkumari Amrit Kaur,
Minister for Health,
Govt. of India,
New Delhi.

Telegram ~~Ordinary~~ Express

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SEVADAL CAN NEVER FORGET SERVICES RENDERED BY LOYAL FRIENDS LIKE YOUR GOODSELF WHO WORKED SELFLESSLY AND INCESSENTLY TO MAKE IT EFFECTIVE AND POPULAR INSTRUMENT OF CONGRESS STOP YOU ARE ONE OF THE PILLARS WHO SHOULDERED BURDEN OF ENTIRE ORGANISATION AT THE BEGINNING STOP CREDIT IS YOURS STOP LET GOD GRANT YOU MANY MORE HEALTHY YEARS TO CONTINUE COUNTRY'S SERVICE SIMILARLY WITH SAME ENERGY AND VIGOUR STOP SEVADAL SENDS ITS LOVING GREETINGS TO YOU ON THIS 61ST BIRTHDAY OF YOURS

HARDIKER, SANCHALAK

N.S Hardiker

Dr. N.S. Hardiker, M.P.,
10, Akbar Road,
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Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 13, 1956.

My dear Yemu,

Dr. Vaidya's card of the 9th to me has made me very anxious about Moushi's health. I do not know what exactly is the trouble with her. Dr. Vaidya has not written and I know he will not write. Even if he writes I will not understand. So I am not worried about that thing. What I am worried is the Health of Moushi. You too are not in a condition to look after her. I know how hard it is to look after an ailing person. You are busy with your work. Hence the only thing left to Dr. Vaidya or you is to keep a special nurse-to attend to Dr. Mahajan. Is it possible for you to write to me. Do it yourself. If not, give information about Moushi's health to one of your student-nurses and ask her to write to me daily without fail. That is all that I have to say for the present.

Yours affectionately,

M.

Smt. Yemu Tai Tinakar,
Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA,
District Belgaum.

To Dr. Mahajan also

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 13, 1956.

My dear Sonopant,

Your letter remains unanswered for a long time. It will be better if you speak about your proposal to Mr. Ambli. He is the person who handles the programmes in Karnatak. I will certainly have a talk with him as soon as I meet him. Let me know what he says. I am in New Delhi now and I continue to stay to stay here for a month more. So you can safely write to the above address.

Your brother,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Mr. V.S. Kowjalagi,
BIJAPUR,
(State of Bombay)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

13th February, 1956

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I got your card of the 9th in which you had stated that Dr. Mahajan was getting fever and was not better at all. That was a shock to me. I know after the 9th you did wire. On the 11th I have acknowledged that wire, but your card, though written two days previous to the wire, did make me anxious about her health. Hence I have wired to you this morning as follows:-

"WIRE MAHAJAN'S HEALTH PLEASE WRITE DAILY"

I want you to write to me daily and give me a report about her health. I am anxious about her condition. I do not know whether it is possible for Yamu to attend to her, as she is too busy with the other work and also is being troubled by that stone in the bladder. I have been thinking since this morning as to whether I should run to Ghataprabha and be of some use to you all. However, I won't take any hasty action unless and until I hear from you. It is therefore that you should be writing to me every day and let me know about her health. If it is not possible for you to write personally do ask one of your staff to do so.

It will be better if one of the nurses whom Dr. Mahajan wants - Shanta, Vimal, Nadkarni - any one of them or any others be given to her for her day and night services. Let one of them be near her always. I know it is not possible for Yamutai to be near her. Let me reassert it and hence I made the suggestion

K.T.O.

regarding keeping a nurse near Dr. Mahajan always.

If at any time you need me urgently there is the telegraph office, there is the telephone, you should either wire or telephone to me. The time for telephoning is morning before 7 and at night after 9. I will write to you again tomorrow. It is just possible that I may hear from you this evening.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

Dr. M.K. Vaidya,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA (Distt. Belgaum)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 13, 56.

My dear Dr. Melkote,

I am very very glad you and your office have done so much to receive the student.trainees who had gone to Hospet for sight seeing. Dr. Mrs. Shamala Bai Bhagawat gave me the report after she returned from Hospet. It was very very kind of you all to have been useful to the cause of education in this manner.

For a long time I have not met you, though I did meet Mrs. Vimala Bai Melkote at Delhi two months ago. I have invited Smt. Vimala Bai to Ghataprabha and Hubli. I want you to come to the Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha with Vimala Bai, see the Institute and bless the workers there profousely. The same thing you should do when you go to the Womens' Hospital in Hubli. Dr. M.K. Vaidya, the Chief Medical Officer of the Karnatak Health Institute and Dr. Savitri Bai Mahajan of the Womens' Hospital at Hubli, both will be glad to receive and give you full information about the work that they are doing for the last so many years in those institutions. Please do let me know just when it would be possible for you both - husband and wife - to visit these two places. I want you to note, however, that when you visit, I must be there at both the places.

I am here at New Delhi now. I had gone to Amritsar and returned yesterday. I will be here for some weeks more. Please, therefore, write to me to the above address.

My regards to Vimala Bai and others,

Yours sincerely,

(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. G.S. Melkote,
Minister for Public Works,
Narayan Gudda,
HYDERABAD-DN.

P.S.: Some time ago I received a card from Inamdar saying that he had ordered some sarees for Gangu Tai Shevde. I do not know whether those sarees are now ready. Please do ask and write.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 13, 1956.

My dear Nimbkar,

I expected to meet you here at New Delhi on the 9th evening. Unfortunately, however, it seems you have not received my letter ~~to you~~ which I had mailed from Bombay. That is the reason why it was not possible for us to meet each other at Delhi on the 9th night, before I left for Amritsar.

I was at Amritsar on the 10th morning . After two days stay there I returned on the 12th morning to New Delhi. I am here now. I will be here until the Rajya Sabha adjourns on the 15th of March. I am due in Bombay by about the 20th of March. Then only we are likely to meet. If, in the meantime you visit this place, let me know. Then we shall meet and talk.

Are you in correspondence with Dr. Vaidya? Did Mrs. Podabidri or her son meet you?. They are anxious to construct a building at a cost of Rs.5,000/- in Ghataprabha. They want a plan of the house. They had requested us to give them a plan; but we have not done so yet. Is it possible for you to write to Mrs. Podabidri in Kamadevi and have a talk with her. Please do spare some time.

I will write to you again. With love,

Your brother,

JNH

Shri V. Nimbkar,
c/o Consolidated Neumatic Tools Ltd.,
Liberty Mansions,
Marine Lines,
BOMBAY-1.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 14, 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I am sorry I have been waiting all this morning and yesterday afternoon for receiving your telegraphic reply to my wire which was sent to you yesterday morning. My wire read:

> "Wire Mahajan's health. Please write daily".

Have you received this wore? I wonder as I have not received any telegraphic reply from you.. I got worried and I wondered whether you had received my wire or not. I got very anxious and therefore I have written today to the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs and I have made enquiries, whether my telegrams reached their destination or not.

I do not know why you are silent. I ought to have received at least a letter from you, if not a wire. How is Mahajan? I am anxious about her health. Please do write to me immediately without delay; or else wire to me as soon as you get this letter.

Yesterday evening I had a talk with Mr. Krishnan, Secretary of the Central Social Welfare Board and Mr. P.D. Kulkarni, their Research Officer regarding the grant for Nurses' quarters and a grant for the next Five Year Plan activity. I have explained to them our difficulties in so far as residential -- quarters for the staff and the probationers in both the places and have told them that between ourselves, we shall manage if they could give us immediately Rs.1,000/- per student. If they give us in that proportion, we shall build 3 or 4 additional rooms and try to accommodate 30 in each place and not more. I have explained this even to Miss. Adranwala. Misss. Adranwala has understood our point and is writing to the Central Social Welfare Board recommending our case. The letter also have understood our case and they will immediately do the needful in the matter. I do not want you therefore to stop the work of the Nurses quarters. Please go ahead immediately and begin the wonstruction. When I come there, we shall see how much we will have to give to the Womens Hospital for additional student accommodation there.

Regarding the Five Year plan activity and a grant for the same, I had a talk with Krishnan and I will forward application to the proper authority in the name of both the institutions separately. I do not want any one of you, neither you nor Dr. Mahajan to handle this question there. I will see what I can do. I have the application forms with me and in consultation with the officers concerned, I will handle them.

I will write to you again tomorrow. In the

meantime I expect to hear from possibly in the evening.

Yours affectionately,

JNH

Dr. H.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
CHATAPRABHA.
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 14, 1956.

My dear Dwarakanatji,

How shall I thank you for the services rendered to me and to Mr. Inamdar when we were at Amritsar by you and by your family members. I wish I had stayed there a day or two more and enjoyed the company of Harish Chandra and his brothers, who to me were like my own sons. But after all men like me are like birds of passage. I will certainly come and meet you if in the near future I go to Amritsar to carry on my work connected with the Seva Dal organization.

Please give my love to Harish Chandra and his brothers,

Your brother,

NSH

Shri Dwarakanath,
17, Lawrence Road
Amritsar,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
February 14, 1956.

My dear Podbidri,

Your letter dated 13.2.56 to hand just now. Thank you for the same.

I am sorry you have not been able to get in contact with Mr. Nimbkar yet. I am now writing to him and sending him a copy of your letter. I hope he will immediately get in contact with you at Bombay and give you an appointment.

I am sorry I could not meet you when I was in Bombay again last time. It was impossible for me to leave my house on account of my so many pre-occupations. Dr. Vaidya was waiting for -- Nimbkar's decision in the matter. Whatever Nimbkar and you will decide will be final, but in case you do not hear from Nimbkar now I will attend to it and finish the whole thing, but it will take some time before I see you. I will have to be here in Delhi for at least a month. After that en route to Ghatprabha, I will come to Bombay stay for a day and see you. Then only I will be able to decide. Therefore I am anxious that Mr. Nimbkar should decide this question once for all.

Please give my respectful pranamams to Seetha Bai and do write to me immediately as to what happens.

Your brother

MRN

Mr. R.R. Podbidri,
A/4. Sarswat Building,
Camdevi,
Grant Road,
BOMBAY-7.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 14, 1956.

My dear General Sahib,

I need not thank for all that you have done to make me at home in Amritsar at the time of the Congress Session. The entire credit of the Dal organization in Amritsar goes to you. Thanks for everything that you have done.

Inamdar has all praises to you; so is Susil Babu and why should they not be? By your sweet good will and full attention to them and by your disciplined method of work you have attracted them towards you. I wish you continue to do that.

I did not pay much attention to the literature that was distributed in Amritsar during the Session I want two copies each of that is published either by the Reception Committee or by the State Government or by the All India Congress Committee regarding the Congression Session and Congress activity. Will you kindly collect all these and send the same with Sushil Babu with clear instructions that the same be given to me, for my personal use. I will be highly obliged to you for the same.

General Sahib, will you be good enough to write to me something about your own self. I would like to know a little of your life story. Please do send the same to me at your earliest.

With love to you all,

Your brother,

Nehru

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

14th February, 1956

My dear Dr. Kabbur,

I am glad to note everything that you have written about Vasu. I have not yet received anything from the office ~~of the~~ concern where he desires to serve in future. As soon as I hear anything from them I will write to them about him and about his work.

I am sorry to note that Achyut was sick. I hope, however, that he is better by now and he is attending to his work regularly. Yes, I agree with you that he must be employed somewhere and soon be married. Let us hope that everything will go on smoothly.

Yes, Gangutai gave you correct information. I have stopped smoking and chewing 'suppari' also. I am sure I will continue this role of a non-smoker. No, you need not worry about it.

Dr. Mahajan is sick in Ghataprabha. She is there for the last 15 days. Please do make enquiries about her from Dr. Vaidya and when you go to Hubli just pay a visit to the Women's Hospital which is now in hands of Dr. Mrs. Shyamalabai Bhagwat.

With love to you all,

Your brother,

NNH

Dr. N.B. Kabbur, M.B.B.S.,
Malmaddi,
DHARWAR (Bombay State)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 14, 1956.

My dear Kardekar,

I am sorry I have not replied to your letter so far. It was very good of you to have written to me so quick as that. You have made me feel ashamed by your promptness. I will try to be regular henceforward at least so far as you are concerned.

I came here from Amritsar on the 12th. I will be here until the 20th of March. After that I go home. Between now and then I expect your reply here, at New Delhi. You have my address. Ask Viswanathan also to wirte to me as regularly as it is possible for him to do.

My invitation to you to come to Delhi stands. I want you to come and stay with me at least for two or three days. I will show you the city of Delhi. You should take some rest here.

Who is the Surgeon-General of the Southern Railway? Is Dr. Somasekhar Rao yet there or has anyone else come in his place? I would like you to tell me about it.

Is it possible for you to find out from the Surgeon-General's office as to whether they have received any applications for grants from the Indian Womens Aid Society's hospital of Hubli. I think the recommendations are made by the D.M.O. of the Railways at Hubli.

With love to you,

Your brother,

NH

Shri D.P. Kardekar,
Steno-Typist to the Assistant C.O.P.S.,
Headquarters, Southern Railway,
MADRAS.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 14, 1956.

My dear Hansi,

When I was at Hubli in the first week of this month I tried to contact you, but failed. Mr. Kolekar, ex-President of the Hubli Municipality had assured me that he would bring you to the Womens Hospital and there we would talk on matters relating to the City of Hubli. Evidently you were otherwise busy. Therefore, it was that you did not find time to come there.

You have said that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru the Prime Minister of India is coming to Hubli some time in the month of March when you are celebrating the Centenary of the Hubli Municipality. I am certainly glad to know that the most popular man of India today is visiting Hubli and is taking part in the celebrations of the Centenary function. I congratulate you on the success you got in inviting him.

When he comes to Hubli, I ~~will~~ hope to be with you and to help you in making the celebrations a complete success. I want you to show to him at least some of the institutions in the City which have lived long and made a mark. It is my desire to offer him tea in the afternoon, but I do not know whether it would fit in your programme that you will draft. Anyway I want you to take him to the Womens Hospital and show it to him. I know, as a matter of fact, he likes such institutions and he will appreciate the work that is being done there by the women.

If you tell me just what you want me to write in your "souvenir", I will do so and send it to you without delay. You say that the celebrations are scheduled to take place in March. Have you not fixed any date yet? If you have let me know the same.

I am here for three weeks more. My address is given above. Please do write to me immediately and oblige.

Your brother,

NSH

Mr. Hansi,
President,
Hubli Municipal Borough,
HUBLI.

..S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

14th February, 1956

Dear brother,

If I am not mistaken I think it was about 4 years ago that a telegraph office was opened at Ghataprabha in Distt. Belgaum, State of Bombay. Since then a number of telegrams have been received by the Karnatak Health Institute and distributed amongst the inmates of the Institute. Still, the Delhi Telegraph Office wants me to tell them every time whenever I want to send a telegram to Ghataprabha as to whether there is a telegraph office. On this plea they have held my telegrams for a number of times. Therefore I had to tell them to send the telegrams on "sender's risk". Even though a period of nearly 50 months has gone by your office here it seems has no knowledge of a telegraph office at Ghataprabha. I wonder whether the name Ghataprabha does appear in your telegraph directory. If it does why are the querries repeated every time whenever I book a telegram. If it does not why is not the name printed in the directory even after four years. You will pardon me for asking this question, but I have got to do it. Will you please let me know about it?

It is yesterday that I sent a telegram to Dr. Vaidya at Ghataprabha. The person who received the phonogram accepted it only on my risk. It has been mentioned so in the copy of the phonogram that I have received today for payment. It is a clear proof if you so want it. I have not yet received any reply to my telegram of yesterday. I am worried about it. I do not know whether my telegram has reached Ghataprabha. I had made enquiries about sick friends in the hospital there.

Again on Friday the 10th morning, at my instance, my assistant from the All India Congress Committee Office tried to send a telegram to Ghataprabha from a telegraph office in Delhi (old city). That was not accepted there. They said there is no such telegraph office. He had to come to the Eastern Court and send the same from that office at the "sender's risk". What will you say to this? It is for this that I have to write to you this letter and trouble you. I hope you will not mind my writing and drawing your attention to the things that have happened.

Your brother,

N. S H

The Director General of
Post and Telegraphs,
Central Telegraph Office,
Eastern Court,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

15th February, 1956

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Again this noon I have wired as follows:-

"HAVE WIRED TWICE LETTERS WRITTEN NO
REPLIES PLEASE WIRE IMMEDIATELY
MAHAJAN'S HEALTH ANXIOUSLY AWAITING"

I have been anxiously waiting to hear from you or from someone else from Ghataprabha. I have had absolutely no letter from anyone, except your card of the 9th and telegram of the 11th. In the card you said that Mahajan was not keeping well and she had fever, etc., etc. In the telegram of the 11th you said that she was better. But since then I have written to you, to Yamu and to Dr. Mahajan. None of you have replied. What is this? Why this silence? It makes me anxious. I have received no letters even from home - Hubli. Will you be good enough to wire to me immediarely, as I have said in my wire today. If I don't hear from you I will have to telephone to you and find out. Please therefore wire immediately.

Do instruct one of your assistants to write to me regularly regarding Dr. Mahajan's health and the health of you all also.

Yours affectionately,

Dr. M.K. Vaidya,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

15th February, 1956

My dear sister,

I want to know whether your Welfare Board is thinking of sending trainees to Ghataprabha for training them in Auxiliary Nursing and Midwifery. I was told about it by some responsible persons in the Health Ministry here. If this news is not correct, then are you thinking of taking any trained personnel from the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha for work in the Karnatak area of your State? I am anxious to know about this.

I have two days ago written to the Doctor and have invited him to the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha. I want him and you to visit that institution and also go to Hubli to see the Women's Hospital where midwifery training is given. I am connected with both these institutions. At Ghataprabha I am the Administrator and at Hubli I am the President of the Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital.

Please do write to me immediately and let me know what you would like to do.

Your brother,

Nehru

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

15th February, 1956

My dear Ambli,

Pardon me for writing to you this letter and taking your valuable time. I wanted to meet you at Delhi for the simple reason that I wanted to find out from you Panditji's programme of Hubli. You know that the Hubli Municipality is celebrating its centenary some time in the month of March of this year. For that purpose the President of the Municipality, Mr. Hansi, had come to Delhi to invite Panditji. We are told that he has accepted the invitation. Do you know anything about it? If so, when is he going to Hubli? Of course, if he goes, you will have to take part in the drafting of the programme. I am making all these enquiry because of the fact that I was anxious to take Panditji to Ghataprabha to see the work done by the Karnatak Health Institute there. Also when at Hubli, I wanted Panditji to go to the Women's Hospital and see the work there. That is the reason why I wanted to have a talk with you at Delhi and therefore I asked you at Amritsar about your own programme. Will you be good enough to write to me a line about this subject and oblige?

Your brother,

VBH

Shri Channabasappa Ambli, M.L.A.,
Council Hall,
BOMBAY

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

16th February, 1956

My dear Somutai,

How can I console you? It is not at all possible for me or for any other human being to do so. You have to console yourselves and try to keep your mind occupied somehow. I know it is not easy to forget the life of nearly 40 years and all the activities and connected with it. What is the use of my asking you to forget all that? I know, human as we are, it is not possible to forget things that have been carved on our heart.

I recollect the days when Mr. Krishnarao and we were living together in Belgaum at the beginning of this century, the way in which we lived and worked, the way in which we sat together, talked and discussed our own future, the way in which we planned our activity and decided to work together for the cause of the country - all that comes before my mind's eye now.

Oh! how happy we were then; how jolly our group was; how anxious we were to tear our enemy to pieces in order to liberate our mother land. Without money in our hand we carried on a number of activities and planned a number of things. Our only tressure then was, self-confidence, courage, determination and readiness to jump into fire. It is that which made us MEN. That is what which gave us success in our life. Whatever Krishnarao and I were in the fifties was due to what we earned at the beginning of this century and in the last decade of the last century.

Each one of us, Krishnarao, Govind and myself, decided to follow one line of action and tried to master the subject for which we had aptitude in a foreign country. We did so; and after returning, we started our life independently working in our fields and helping the national activity. We have in our own way tried to serve the mother which gave us food and shelter and for which we planned in our boyhood days. Of the three of us, Govind Anglikar left us long ago and two of us remained. I do not believe that the love that we bore towards each other in the year 1906 was ever eclipsed or in any way diminished until the last. I assure you that it went on increasing day after day. Hence it is that Krishnarao wrote to me his last letter a week or ten days previous to his departure from this world, asking me to go and see him in Bombay en route to Delhi. Before I could reach Bombay he had gone - gone, never to come again. What is the use of my expressing sorrow at his demise, when I know definitely well that all of us who are born have to go the same way sooner or later. I too am destined to go. So why weep and shed tears over a thing which is not in my hands and which I cannot control. [redacted]

I am only glad that Krishnarao did not allow his name to be tarnished in any way. On the contrary he has left a fair name and fame not only for himself and for those whom he loved and for whom he worked. I can only say God

bless him - bless him wherever he goes, and whatever he is now.

With love to you,

Your brother,

Vanaim

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th February, 1956

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Your card of the 14th instant. Thanks. I am glad to note that Mahajan is improving. What is the slight disturbance at midnight? What is it due to? I know, though I am a layman I am asking this question to you in the hope of getting a correct reply from you. This is the time for people like me to learn something.

I have to ask about Yamu also? How is she? Does her pain continue? What have you done for her? I am sure she also is undergoing treatment.

I am glad you have finalised the plan for Nurses' quarters. So long as you can accommodate in that building the entire number of trainees, a matron and a staff nurse I will raise no objection. I would like you to begin the work as quick as you can. In so far as the grant is concerned, you will get it at the rate of Rs.1,000/- per one. But please remember it is not for these whom you have already taken. The grant is meant only for those whom you are now going to admit. They may be 20 or they may be 30. They may be at Ghataprabha or they may be at Hubli. The Health Ministry has already communicated their desire to the Social Welfare Board. The Board is to act and I am sure it will.

After the receipt of your card today, I did telephone to Mr. Krishnan the Secretary of the C.S.W.B. and asked him about the plan of buildings in the project centres. He said that March or April, it does not make any difference; we can go on according to our plans, budget year or no the amount will be given, if sanctioned. What I would like you to do is to send me a copy of the letters that you have written to the Bombay Social Welfare Board. ~~and~~ let me place them before the officers here informally. I have spoken to them about the irregularity in the correspondence from Bombay. They said henceforward it will be regular and punctual. I do not know how it would be. We will have to wait and see.

Mrs. Bhatia and Miss Adranvala, both of them are not in town. They will be coming back next week. After their return I will [redacted] talk about the nurse Chako. I am sorry we are not in a position yet to appoint a Matron for Hubli. I do not know what to do. I am sure you are trying your level best.

I had a talk with Dr. Benjamin about Dr. Anantrao. He said that it is for Dr. Anantrao to think of a plan for work in Ghataprabha and submit it to them. He should not ask for more than Rs.10,000/-. Let him think about it and submit the plan as quickly as possible. Please do talk with him and ask him to write to me direct here.

Are you receiving ~~the~~ bulletins from the Canadian Embassy? Have you received any other literature from them? just as you have received from some other embassies?

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Please let me have a complete list of those from whom you have so far received. I have again written to a number of others to whom we had not written so far. In addition to that we have written to a few other stray newspapers and weeklies to send their publications to you and to the Women's Hospital at Hubli. Next week I will send you copies of the letters that have been sent together with a copy of the addressees.

My love to all including the children.

Yours affectionately,

Dr. M.K. Vaidya, M.S.,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA (Distt. Belgaum)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

18th February, 1956

My dear Dr. Saralabai,

By this time you might have come to know that Dr. Mahajan cannot return to Hubli until the end of this month, as Dr. Vaidya wants her to take complete rest and not even to move. It seems that she has passed some anxious nights. That is what Dr. Vaidya has written to me.

I do not know how you are. You have not told me anything about your troubles, though from your movements and the little talk that I had with you and with Dr. Rao, I am gathered that you were suffering and that you were wanting some help of an expert doctor. I hope you did have that kind of help and you are O.K. now. I want you to write to me about it.

Dr. Mahajan's not coming to the hospital for another fortnight means that you have to give more of your time and attention to the work in the hospital. I have written to Dr. Bhagwat to spend more time even during the day in the hospital compound. I know she sleeps there. She has to, as promised. But please, if your health permits, do visit the hospital even in the evening and give necessary help to Dr. Bhagwat. I am sure even without my asking you will do it. There is no doubt about it. However, I felt that I should write to you. Hence this letter. Please excuse me.

My love to Dr. Rao and the children.

Yours affectionately,

JNH

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 20, 1956.

Copy

My dear

Herewith please find a copy of the letter that I have addressed to Mr. Devidas Madiman. It contains a gist of the conversation that we had at the residence of Mr. Mathuradas, the Hon. Secretary of the I.W.&.S. Hospital, on the 6th of this month. As I have stated in that letter I might not have used the exact words that came out of our lips on that occasion. But I have truthfully tried to record our thoughts which were uppermost in our minds then. You and the others who were present on the occasion should point out the omissions, if any, to me and help me to record our discussions correctly, if it is not done so already.

My only plea is that we should work together as a team. In doing so, we should not forget the human weaknesses of each other. So long as we are clean in our thoughts and conscience and we do not attribute any motives to the doings of others, so long as we do things in the interest of the society, and are not bent upon some selfish gains for ourselves, we should not be afraid of anybody and we should go on doing our duty unperturbed. That is my attitude.

In so far as the Women's Hospital is concerned, for the period of 40 years that it is in existence now, it has survived the onslaught of changing circumstances in the city and has gone on rendering excellent service to the needy women and children of our area. Such being the case, I think, we should be in a position today to make it more useful, more efficient, more attractive and more serviceable to all the needy ones in our land.

I hope Mr. Devidas Madiman will understand the spirit of my talk with him and my genuine desire to help the growth of the Women's Hospital in which he too is interested.

I know very well that I have not been of much use to the Hospital though I am a member of its Governing Body for the last several years. I am well aware that I could not do any concrete work and achieve lasting results for the Society. I am sorry for the same; but what can I do -- beyond admitting my own faults? I am quite alive to my own defects and drawbacks.

The future of the Women's Hospital is bright provided we apply our own mind to its development. As the Government and the people have realised the necessity of humanitarian societies they are encouraging them by offering financial and other assistance. We should exert ourselves and prove

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worthy of receiving their aid.

Please do acknowledge this letter and oblige.

Your brother,
N.S. Hardiker
(N.S. Hardiker)

worthy of receiving their aid.

Please do acknowledge this letter and oblige.

Your brother,
N.S. Hardiker
(N.S. Hardiker)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

20th February, 1956

My dear Devidas,

On the 6th of this month, in the morning, you came to our (Ramrao Shevade's) house with Mr. Vamanrao Apte. You wanted to know as to how we were going to get money to build the compound wall of the Women's Hospital. I said that a provision was made for the same in the amount that was received from the Central Health Ministry.

You then wanted to know as to when the Governing Body of the Hospital would meet. The question of filling up vacancies on the Governing Body was referred to by you. I told you that it was not possible for us to meet soon, as I was to be away in Delhi for about two months. But I added that it did not matter if the Governing Body did meet in my absence and took action. But before the members meet formally they should sit and talk with each other and settle everything amicably amongst themselves. That was the best course. That would stop all heart burning. After all what was there in formality? I urged you to go to Mathuradas immediately in order to settle the whole issue then and there and offered myself to go with you to the Secretary (Mr. Mathuradas). You and Vamanrao Apte agreed. So, we went, along with Mr. Ramrao Shevade, and spent some time at the residence of the Secretary, Mr. Mathuradas Jerajani.

After tea and some informal talk there, I asked you some questions and in doing so I sought your permission. I begged your pardon for the same. The questions were:-

(1) I was led to believe that you were either against Dr. Mahajan or you were prejudiced against her or there was some misunderstanding between you both. I gave you the reasons that made me think in that manner. Those were:-

> (a) In one of the meetings of the Governing Body you wanted me (The President) not to allow the Medical Officer (Dr, Mahajan) to sit and take part in the meeting. That was a very tall order, I thought. What made me wonder was that you had absolutely no objection for the clerk to sit in the meeting, but you objected the presence of the Medical Officer who was responsible for the entire working of the Society's Hospital and was in full charge of the same. To me it was a clear indication of your antagonism towards her. I did not want to wound your feelings at that time. I was confident that on some other occasion I would, after knowing your reasons, make you agree to allow the Medical Officer to sit and attend the meetings of the Governing Body and help in the deliberations of the members. For several years now, the Medical Officer has been attending those meetings and taking part in them. That has helped us immensely.
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> (b) In another meeting of the Governing Body

you wanted the Medical Officer's salary to be reduced, as you thought that the salary that she was getting was fat. This utterance about her made me feel that for some or other reason, known to yourself, you had turned against Dr. Mahajan. Even then I was silent.

(c) In yet another meeting you placed a number of grievances against Dr. Mahajan and the Secretary of the Society. You wanted explanations from both of them. When I heard about it, I said to myself that that was a limit. Once before, in one of the meetings, you had said that the hospital was being ruined and the working of the hospital was slowly deteriorating. Immediately I told you that your remarks were very harmful to the Institution and that you were talking without knowing the facts. Papers showing the day to day, year to year, progress were placed before you at that time.

(2) I did not understand the reason why you were pressing the question of Honararies. I thought that you were favouring Dr. Kini. Personally, I was prejudiced against him. The complaints that he had made aginst the Hospital were carefully investigated and I had found them worth to be ignored. There was no ground to hold those charges that he was levelling against the authorities of the Hospital. A person who was really interested in the welfare of an institution would never carry on a subtle propaganda against it. I had therefore a number of reasons to be prejudiced against Dr. Kini. From a number of persons I had heard about the vehement talks he was having against individuals connected with the Hospital and the Hospital itself. The only thing that I could do was to ignore him and his attacks.

Medical science had advanced. Along with it the system of appointing honararies had changed. Bigger hospitals in the country had changed the method of appointing honararies. Instead of honararies they had started appointing Post-graduate students. I did not want to take up that question and settle it, as I wanted to study the new method and make necessary enquiries in higher quarters about the same.

I told you that in so far as allowing outsiders to hold knives in the operation theatre was concerned, we should not interfere. It was a technical affair. It was the right and responsibility of the Medical Officer to allow or not to allow permission to hold knife in the theatre. I also said that if we did not like the present Medical Officer's work, behaviour or attitude, we should dismiss her and appoint another. That was the best course to follow.

I am glad that the conversation that took place between us all was very very fraternal. After having heard me in full, you said that you were not at all against Dr. Mahajan nor were you prejudiced against her. You said that you had not made any suggestion regarding reduction of her

salary. You said that I had misunderstood you; never was there a thought in your mind of reducing the salary of Dr. Mahajan. On the contrary, you said, that you wanted the salary of the Assistant Medical Officer to be reduced. The D.M.O. also, you said, was of the same opinion.

Your view was that your activity towards getting explanations for the complaints you had received might have made others think that you were against Dr. Mahajan. You wanted me to remove any such thought as that from my mind.

I was satisfied with the explanations you gave. I did not want to stretch the point further. My contention was that arguments in such matters should be as few as possible. It was the question of beliefs and faiths. I always took a man at his word. Therefore, I accepted what you said and kept quiet.

Regarding Dr. Kini, you said, he wanted to complain against the Hospital and you thought that it would be better if some other members of the Society would also be present when he spoke to you. So, you asked two of the members also to hear him. Otherwise, you had nothing to do with him. You were not at all favouring him. If it was possible for us to accept his services, you said, we should do so.

I told you that Dr. Kini was unwilling to deliver lectures in the Midwifery school and he had definitely written to that effect to Dr. Mahajan. Such being the case it was not possible for us to ask him again and again and urge him to go to the hospital for any work.

The third thing that we had in our mind was about the filling up of vacancies on the Governing Body. There were three vacancies and four nominees; two names were suggested by you and two by the Secretary, Mr. Mathuradas. Personally, I said I would love to take Shama Hublikar. I liked that boy. I had absolutely no objection to take him on the Governing Body. I, however, told you that I was thinking a little differently. The question before me was: should we lay down a precedent of taking persons from the families of those who had either resigned their seats or whose seats had fallen vacant on account of their death. Such a precedence was bad. That was what we have been thinking. Now, as one year has already gone by, I had absolutely no thought of sticking up to that idea. Do take Shama.

In so far as Dr. Joshi was concerned, you said that he was not very particular about being a member of the Governing Body of the I.W.A.S. Hospital. If absolutely necessary and if his presence in any way, was felt essential, you said, he had no objection to agree to be a member. I told you and others that the same reply was given by Dr. Joshi to Dr. Mahajan when she had asked him about the proposed membership. I requested you to drop that name and think of the other two names nominated by Mr. Mathuradas.

You had absolutely no objection to take Mr. Amritlal. Your only objection for Mr. Chandravadan Desai was that he was living in Dharwar and he would not attend our meetings regularly. To that I replied saying that there were others also on the Governing Body who were absentee members; still, the work was going on and the Hospital had not at all suffered. Personally, I did not believe that he would remain absent from many meetings. Even if he did, his very name on the list of membership of the Governing Body of the Indian Women's Aid Society's Hospital would be of immense value in every way. Therefore, I said we should take him. It was the question of raising funds in the District and in the Province. Men of his and Amritlal's type and ability should be taken on our membership list. You agreed to that proposal of mine. So, we came to the conclusion that the three vacant seats should be filled in by Shama Bubliker, Seth Amritlal and Chandravadan Desai of Dharwar in the next meeting of the Governing Body.

When this discussion was going on, Mr. Vamanrao Apte, Mr. Mathuradas Jerajani, yourself and myself were present. All four of us were members of the Governing Body of the Indian Women's Aid Society. Besides us, there was Mr. Ramrao Shevade, whom I had taken along with me.

When you left me at the Women's Hospital at about 11.30 a.m., I told you that I would write out a gist of the conversation we had that morning and send a copy each to those who were present there for their information. I am doing so now. Today, is the 20th. Fifteen days have elapsed. I could not do this writing earlier, as I have been busy otherwise. Please excuse me for the delay.

Whatever I have written above, I think, is a correct version of the talk that we had. If I have in any way committed mistakes and omitted anything, please let me know. I will certainly correct the same.

Please take the whole thing in the spirit in which it is written. Do acknowledge this and oblige.

Your brother,

V S Handikar

worthy of receiving their aid.

Please do acknowledge this letter and oblige.

Your brother,

N.S. Hardiker

(N.S. Hardiker)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

20th February, 1956

My dear Ramu,

I have sent the following wire today:-

"SEND IMMEDIATELY CERTIFIED EXTRACT OF ELECTORAL ROLL INDICATING MY SERIAL NUMBER TO BHASKER BOMBAY REGISTERED. MYSELF MEETING HIM THERE SATURDAY LETTER FOLLOWS"

I will have to go to Bombay by the end of this week in order to file my nomination paper for the membership of the Council of States. I will be there on Saturday morning. Bhasker will give me your letter and the certified copy of the Electoral Roll when I see him on Saturday. I am writing to him separately to keep it with him until I ~~go~~ see him.

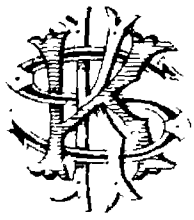
Two days ago I have written to you to send me the electoral roll number. But then I did not ask you to take a certified copy. I had forgotten it. Just this morning Krishnamoorthy Rao reminded me about it.

Tell Gangutai that from Bombay I will go home for a day and spend also a day at Ghatprabha. I will have to come back here within 10 or 12 days after my departure from here. If anything has to be brought from Bombay please let me know to Iyer's address.

My love to all at home.

Yours affectionately,

Nehru



Mrs. S.K.Kapoor
"Kiran"
514, College Road,
Matunga, Bombay.19.

20th February, 1956.

Dear Dr. Hardikar,

Your letter of 16th instant duly to hand.

You were kind enough to see him on your way to Delhi during last week. But God did not will that you and your friend should meet together at that time. It is natural at this critical juncture you should remember all the incidents that took place since your boyhood and the pleasant time you had together in the company of late Dr. Govindrao and dear Krishnarao. You have been one of his constant visitors and you never lost any chance of seeing him whenever you passed through Bombay.

Fate decided that you should work in different line and in different fields. But I know all of you tried to serve the humanity and general public and had in your mind the interest of your country.

In these days it is very difficult to find such a sincere and faithful friend and I trust you will continue to have the same feelings and relations

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towards me as before.

Please don't fail to see me whenever you happen to come to Bombay.

Yours sincerely,

Sumati Kalelkar

P.S. I duly received the copy of "Jai Hind" of the 12th February 1956 and gone through the article written about Krishnarao, and appreciate the feelings expressed therein.

Shri N.S. Hardikar
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

February 21, 1956.

My dear Shamalabai,

Herewith I am sending to you a copy of the letter that I have written to Mr. Devidas Madiman. I want you to go through it and let Indutai Sirur know about it. I know she will not understand English and therefore I am asking you to read the same to her. I wanted Umabai also to read it; but as she is not there, I am not sending any copy to her. Anyway you can show it to Ramakant and take it back from him after he goes through it. Please keep the copy with you.

On the 1st of March ten new trainees are coming to Hubli. You have to make provision for their stay. We have had a talk about before it. I do not know what you have done and what Indubai has suggested. I am sure you have consulted Dr. Mrs. R o also. Do so if you have not already done so. I am writing to Dr. Vaidya, if possible, to send somebody from Ghataprabha to help you, but I do not know what he would do. It is just possible that I will be there on the 1st of March, if not on the last day of this month.

I have already written to you about the receipt of your letter and the information you have given me about the Hospital. Please do ask Indutai and Ramarao to go to the Hospital whenever it is possible for them to do so and help you. By sitting here at this distance it is not possible for me to help you except, of course, by giving occasional advice. Everything is left to you. Until Dr. Mahajan returns you must consider yourself to be in charge of the Hospital and manage everything. In doing so, you must give your undivided attention not minding any criticism from any quarter. Never give your ears to wild criticisms. Healthy and constructive criticism should always be welcome. You must know how to distinguish between wild and constructive criticism.

My love to Vidyaraj and others. I hope Manu and her children are all o.k.

Your brother,

Dr. Mrs. Shamalabai Bhagavat,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
February 21, 1956.

My dear Nimbkar,

I have written to you a week ago, but you have not replied. I do not know whether you have received it.

By the end of this week, I will be in Bombay. If I do not be there on Saturday the 25th morning, I will be certainly there on Monday the 27th morning by the Frontier Mail. I am sure you will be there. We have to talk on many problems relating to the Karnatak Health Institute. We have not met for a long time. This time at least we meet and decide about the constructions that we have to take in hand.

What have you done about the proposal of Mrs. Podabidri? She was waiting to hear from you. If you do not do anything, I will have to attend to it and get the work done. When I meet you either on Saturday or on Monday we will send for Mrs. Podabidri and give her the final reply.

Have you heard from Dr? Vaidya. Please let me know. Write to me immediately.

Your brother,

Mr. Nimbkar,
Consolidated Neumatic
Tools Ltd.,

Dr. N. S. HARDIKAR,
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

Ghataprabha.
29th February 1956.

To,

The District Traffic Superintendent,
Hubli Division,
Southern Railway,
Hubli.

Dear Brother,

I am writing this letter in order to get replies to the few questions given below:

1. I reached Ghataprabha this morning at about 10-20 A.M. by the Poona Bangalore Mail. This train was late by about 3 hours and 20 minutes. It reached Miraj at 7 A.M. and left that station at about 7-50 A. . It stopped there for about 50 minutes. Then again it stopped at Ugarkhurd for about 25 minutes. Then it halted at Raibag station for about 10 minutes. Thus on the whole, I think, if I am not mistaken, it arrived at Ghataprabha 3 hours and 20 minutes late.

Why did the train stop at the stations mentioned above for such a long time ? What was the cause ?

2. How long yet are you going to continue your patrol train ahead of regular passenger trains ?

Do you realise the inconvenience caused to the public, who travel not for fun but for various kinds of business. The disturbances and the fear of the same which was there at the end of the last month and the beginning of this month is gone and even if it is there you and the Government ought to make other arrangements to protect the railway line and train instead of causing unnecessary delay, everyday, to the travelling public.

Please excuse for asking these questions, but I would like to get definite replies from you immediately, as there are innumerable people who would like to hear and read your replies. Hence this request.

My address is given below.

Your brother,

N.S. Hardikar

Dr.N.S.Hardikar,
Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
Dist. Belgaum.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

DISTRICT TRAFFIC SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

STATION Hubli

TPC.32/56. Dated 2nd March 1956.

Dr.N.S.Hardikar,
Member of Parliament,
(Rajya Sabha),
Ghatprabha.

Dear Sir,

Your letter dated 29th February 1956.

I have just received your letter. I am very sorry for the inconvenience caused to you and I can fully appreciate the annoyance that should have been felt by all the passengers on the train. I have however carefully gone into the matter and I am briefly explaining below the circumstances under which the detentions occurred:-

2. Miraj:
had to attend to it and rectify the same. I am however making detailed enquiries as to when the information was sent to the Train Examining staff about the repairs, and when the repair was rectified, so as to see if there was any avoidable detention.

3. Ugarkhurd:

The train would have normally passed through Ugarkhurd. On that day the adjacent station Kudchi was not in a position to give permission to approach, for this train since at Kudchi some shunting on a Goods train was being done. Kudchi is not normally intended for crossing 3 trains but this had to be done on that day by special arrangements to avoid further detention to passenger trains.

4. Raibag:

The train records do not show any detention at the station, but there was 10 minutes lost on the run between Chinchili and Raibag due to Engineering work being in progress at the spot and consequent speed restriction.

5. As regards patrol specials ahead of regular passenger trains, these have been arranged in consultation with the Police and Civil Authorities as very essential precautionary measures to ensure the prevention of untoward accidents to passenger trains. I may however inform you that the running of patrol specials have been discontinued with effect from 1/3/1956.

6. Once again I have to deeply apologise to you for any inconvenience that may have been caused to you.

Yours faithfully,

District Traffic Superintendent.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
March 8, 1956.

My dear Bhau,

Along with this please find copies of letters that were written to Mr. Mangoli by Mr. Mohan Rao of Delhi. You might have read those letters already. However, for your information I am sending them. Please do attend to the same and let me know what you do.

I did not have a talk yet with Mr. Inamdar. I will do so sometime today. I know I have not sent you the preface that Inamdar had written to the 'Bidhi Singh's' book. I will send it to you tomorrow after making necessary additions and corrections. I will show it to Inamdar before I send it.

I had asked Mr. Nimbkar's firm in Bombay - the Consolidated Neumatic Tools Company Ltd., - to send the Electorol Rolls that I had taken from Hubli by Railway Parcel to Ramu. Mr. Badakere of that Firm was to write to Ramu and send the Railway Receipt along with his letter. I am anxious to know whether the Railway Parcel of the Rolls has been received. Please do write to me about it without fail.

I sent Rs.88-14-0 with Gangu Tai to be given to you. This was the payment made by K.H.I. This is for one of the two bills that you had sent to them with me. I have given a receipt for the same. You are merely to acknowledge the amount. The other bill has been given to Vatsala Vaidya.

She will give it next time.

I hope all are well at home.

Yours affly,

Shri Bhau Rao Shevade,
Near Gurusiddappa's Pond,
HUBLI.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
March 8, 1956.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Mrs.Umabai Kundapur is yet here. It seems she has written to Dr. Vaidya. She will stay here for a few days more and before she reaches Hubli she will come to Ghataprabha and see you.

How are you? I want you to ask Yemu or anyone else to write to me regularly about your health. As soon as I reached yesterday I have wirted to Dr. Vaidya about my safe arrival here. I will be writing to you and others at Ghataprabha regularly. You need not think about anything concerning your work in Hubli. Shamalabai will look after the Women's Hospital and will carry on the work with the co-operation of Dr. Mrs. Rao and others who are there. Please take complete rest and do not be in a hurry to get up from the bed and run about here and there. Slow progress is always welcome, because it is always sure. More again.

Yours affly,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
March 10, 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Your letter dated 6th reached my hands yesterday; Thanks.

I am glad to note that Dr. Mahajan is improving She should not be allowed to move much though she may like to do so. Do not allow her to think of Hubli. I know if she hears that the Prime Minister is scheduled to visit the Women's Hospital on the 1st of April, she will certainly like to go there and get herself ready to receive the august guest; but please note that there is no likelihood of P.M's. visit to Hubli on that date. He may postpone it by about 15 days. Moreover, I am thinking of sacrificing this visit and urging the officers concerned to give that same to the opening function of the Asok Nagar in Hubli. You may inform her about it if you like; I have no objection.

Have you received any amount from the Central Social Welfare Board for the construction of -- Nurses' Quarters?

If Mr. Raj Bahadur, Minister for Communications (Post & Telegraphs) offers us some T.B. Beds, will you accommodate them; if so, how many? I have said that I would accommodate even 50 today. I am having discussions on this particular subject. Let us see how many will be able to get.

I want you to hasten the construction of -- Nurses' Quarters. We will have to get labour and finish the job as quickly as possible. I am feeling that there is something wrong with us. Are we slow in thinking as also in acting? Do we think too much and act little? Somehow I have been disliking myself. I must change my own attitude towards life and learn to do things quick. Slow thinking, I think, is responsible for slow work. We must get rid of it and think quickly and act quickly.

I have decided to see the Head of the Community Project Administration here. I am now going deep into the matter and narrate everything that is -- happening on our side to the responsible persons here. Our silence possibly is marring our progress.

What is bothering you about CORSO? What is the project on which you want to sepnd money? Please give me an idea.

I am writing to Mr. Ganpuley about the camera. I would like you to write to me in detail and give me a full description of the camera you want. That what you have written about the camera in the recent letter of your's is not intelligible to me. So give me a full detail and then I will be in a position to speak either to Mr. Ganpuley or to someone else about it.

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What about the dictaphone that you have there? Is it not good? Wh do you want another?

My l ve to all,

Yours affly,

Dr, M.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA.
District Belgaum.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
March 10, 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

Your letter dated 6th reached my hands yesterday; Thanks.

I am glad to note that Dr. Mahajan is improving. She should not be allowed to move much though she may like to do so. Do not allow her to think of Hubli. I know if she hears that the Prime Minister is scheduled to visit the Women's Hospital on the 1st of April, she will certainly like to go there and get herself ready to receive the august guest; but please note that there is no likelihood of P.M's. visit to Hubli on that date. He may postpone it by about 15 days. Moreover, I am thinking of sacrificing this visit and urging the officers concerned to give the ~~same~~ to the opening function of the Asok Nagar in Hubli. You may inform her about it if you like; I have no objection.

Have you received any amount from the Central Social Welfare Board for the construction of -- Nurses' Quarters?

If Mr. Raj Bahadur, Minister for Communications (Post & Telegraphs) offers us some T.B. Beds, will you accommodate them; if so, how many? I have said that I would accommodate even 50 today. I am having discussions on this particular subject. Let us see how many will be able to get.

I want you to hasten the construction of -- Nurses' Quarters. We will have to get labour and finish the job as quickly as possible. I am feeling that there is something wrong with us. Are we slow in thinking as also in acting? Do we think too much and act little? Somehow I have been disliking myself. I must change my own attitude towards life and learn to do things quick. Slow thinking, I think, is responsible for slow work. We must get rid of it and think quickly and act quickly.

I have decided to see the Head of the Community Project Administration here. I am now going deep into the matter and narrate everything that is -- happening on our side to the responsible persons here. Our silence possibly is marring our progress.

What is bothering you about CORSO? What is the project on which you want to sepnd money? Please give me an idea.

I am writing to Mr. Ganpuley about the camera. I would like you to write to me in detail and give me a full description of the camera you want. That what you have written about the camera in the recent letter of your's is not intelligible to me. So give me a full detail and then I will be in a position to speak either to Mr. Ganpuley or to someone else about it.

p.t.o.

What about the dictaphone that you have there? Is it not good? What do you want another?

My love to all,

Yours affly,

Dr, M.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA.
District Belgaum.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

10th March, 1956

Dear Mr. Kulkarni,

This morning I have wired to you requesting you to include the opening function of the Ashok Nagar in the programme of the Prime Minister, when he visits Hubli. I have sent copies of the same to (1) Mr. Hansi, President of the Municipality (2) the General Secretary of the K.P.C.C. and (3) Mr. R.V. Sathe, Collector of Dharwar. I am very anxious to see that the function of the Ashok Nagar is performed by the Prime Minister. I wanted to approach his office here, but as I know definitely well that the inclusion of this item in his programme is in your hands, I am writing to you and it is no use troubling the P.M. for this small thing. I hope that you will not refuse to include this item.

In the telegram I have said that you should consult Dr. Sontakke who is the Secretary of Ashok Nagar. He will be in a position to give you a detailed programme of the function that they intend to stage in Ashok Nagar if the P.M. visits the same.

I expect a reply in affirmative from you to the address given above. If I am definite that the P.M. is sure to visit Hubli on the dates already given, I will be reaching Hubli by about the 23rd or 24th of this month. Otherwise it will take me a week more to be in that city.

Your brother,

Shri B.R. Kulkarni,
Pleader,
HUBLI

10, Akbar Road,
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My dear Shamala Bai,

I am sending you herewith a copy each of the letters that I have addressed to Dr. Mahajan and Dr. Balankhe. Whatever I have written to Dr. Balankhe applies to the Women's Hospital also. Please announce the week and get the whole thing cleaned if you have not done so as I had written to you.

Has Ramarao Shevade told you that the Prime Minister is likely to visit the Women's Hospital on the 1st of April. That is only a tentative programme. The final programme has not yet been drafted; but keep everything in readiness. Let everybody know that there is a chance of his visit.

I do not know whether construction of the compound wall has been taken in hand. If the P.M. is coming, the wall will have to be constructed immediately. What about water? Is the Bore Well being repaired? I expect to hear from you either today or on Monday.

I am sure everything else is o.k. in so far as the Women's Hospital is concerned.

Please instruct all concerned in the Hospital that letters addressed to the Women's Hospital are not to be opened by anyone except the authorised person and in the absence of Dr. Mahajan, you can open the same and if any letter is to be attended to please send it either to the Secretary or in his absence to Mr. Ramarao Shevade. More again.

Your brother

VSH

Dr.Mrs. Shamalabai Bhagavat,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI.
S.Railway.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

12th March, 1956.

My dear Srinivasan,

Herewith I am sending you a copy of the tentative tour programme of the Prime Minister in Karnataka. A friend of mine has sent it to me. It seems that this has been drafted by the Collector of Dharwar, in consultation with responsible Congress authorities in Dharwar District, and it is published in all Kannada papers from Hubli and Bangalore.

I have marked some of the items on the copy of the programme that is enclosed, questioning the wisdom of including them in the itinerary of the P.M.

Whether the dates of the P.M.'s visit to Karnataka are changed or not, I wish to draw your specific attention to one of the items in the present draft and that is "the publication of Chamber's Jubilee Souvenir and declaring open the new Karnatak Mills in the compound of the Mills". This item you will find on page 2 of the programme under "2nd April". It pained me to find that this was included in the programme of the P.M.

I want to tell you in confidence that this new Karnatak Mills is an old mill of 80 years standing which, some time ago, went into liquidation. A liquidator was appointed by the Bombay High Court. The other day we read in papers that it was sold to one business man from Calcutta. The mills' original name was "The Bharat Spinning and Weaving Mills". It seems that they have now renamed it as new Karnatak Mills. If I am not mistaken, the sale deed is also not yet completed, the labourers are yet to receive their compensation, the debtors are yet to be paid, the old shareholders are to be satisfied. It should also be noted that the possession of the Mill has not yet been given to the purchaser. Such being the case those who have drafted the programme have dared to include "opening of that mill" in the draft. I also see that some souvenir is to be published by the P.M. What an irony of fate? I think it is a height of impertinence to request the P.M. of India to publish a Souvenir for a Jubilee which is to be celebrated sometime later.

Regarding the Hubli Municipality, I want to make it quite clear that the majority and the minority in the Hubli Municipality are yet quarrelling amongst themselves. The majority which elected the present President has now become a minority. Now the present majority is opposing the President's action in every respect. They have not even passed the budget for the new year. They are unwilling to sanction the amount for expenditure of the Centenary and they do not want the Centenary to be held this month or the next month, because they are anxious to celebrate the same after the new States are formed.

On the 7th of this month the "Samyukta Karnataka", a Kannada daily of Hubli, has published a news item giving the above information in full. I do not think it is necessary for me to translate it and send the same to you. If desired, I shall do so.

On the 1st and 2nd of this month I was at Hubli. When I came to know about the programme of the P.M. I did send for the President of the Hubli Municipality and told him that if they kept on quarrelling amongst themselves I would certainly see the P.M. after I returned to Delhi and apprise him of the real situation. The President requested me to speak to the leader of the opposition party also. So, I sent for him too and told him the same thing. I appealed to them both to see that the members of the Municipality unanimously did everything to receive the P.M. and to make his programme a success. Let me also tell you that I told the Collector of Dharwar the same thing. I have repeated the same before the President of the P.C.C. also.

There are a number of other institutions which have requested the P.C.C., the Collector and your Office to include them in the programme and give them an opportunity to receive the P.M. We have been receiving letters and telegrams from them. Unfortunately, they have not been included in the programme drawn up by the Collector now. I may particularly mention the Asok Nagar Colony in Hubli which consists of 53 newly built houses by a Co-operative Housing Society and the Mysore Kirloskars Ltd., Harihar, about which Mr. Krishna Moorthy Rao, has already spoken to you. I hope that when a new programme is drawn up at least some of the deserving institutions are given a chance.

I do not wish to dilate on this subject. I am sure I have made my point clear. If necessary, I am willing to come to you and speak to you.

Your brother,

V. S Hand

Shri C.R. Srinivasan,
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

March 12, 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I have your letter of the 8th. I got it today. I have a letter from Vatsala also. I will reply to her's separately. A card from Yemu announces improvement in Mahajan's health. I am glad to read it.

I have those two letters to which you have referred to in your letter - (1) of Miss. Adranwala and another of Miss.Singaram. I am sorry I do not know how these letters remained with me. As soon as I got your letter I telephoned to Miss. Adranwala and requested her to write immediately to Miss. Singaram asking her to proceed to Karnatak Health Institute and send a copy of that letter to you for your information. I have also suggested to her that she should request Miss. Singaram to give you the exact train, time and date of her arrival at Ghataprabha. I am sure Miss. Singaram will wire to you. I have spoken to Miss. Adranwala about the qualifications of Mysore girls now at Hubli. I have told her that they were educationally very backward and the selection is very bad.

I am sure you have decided to go to Hubli. Please do go soon and when you go, I want you to take Yemu along with you. She will be of much use to you when you go there. Please inform Devidas Gadiman of your arrival there and request him to meet you at the Hospital. Tell him just exactly what you have done so far and what you are going to do in future. Be definite about these things. There is no question of consulting anybody on these matters. Remember that.

With love to all,

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To

The District Traffic Superintendent,
Southern Railway; Division Hubli,
HUBLI.

My dear brother,

At the very outset I thank you very heartily for the prompt reply you have given to my letter dated 29.2.56. It is very kind of you.

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Here, I wish to point out to you that your Train Examining staff at Poona does sometimes act carelessly and does not pay attention to the cleanliness of the carriages or attend to the defects in the compartments. I want you to know that I have been travelling in First Class for the last 5-6 years. I have myself complained to some of the members of your Train Examining Staff at Poona and also to some of the other staff of your Railway including the Police, regarding leakages in bathrooms, lack of water and electric bulbs. Fans too have been found to be not in working order. It so happens that sometimes these complaints are not -- attended to at Poona and therefore the passengers do complain again at the next junction station. A man like me gets these things done as he is known to the staff everywhere; but in the case of ordinary passengers it becomes very difficult when such complaints are not attended to by your staff immediately. I want you, therefore, to warn your Poona Train Examining Staff to be alert and to examine all the carriages carefully before the formed-train is brought to the platform.

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One more thing about Poona. The Notice Board containing the list of names showing reservations

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13th March, 1956

My dear sister,

Excuse me for the trouble that I am giving you.

Will you be good enough to let me know the last date before which the applications for the Institutional grants for the coming five years are to be submitted? Due to disturbances in the State of Bombay during the last week of January and most of the part of February, you have been kind enough to extend the time. We thank you for that.

I will be highly obliged to you if you would kindly write to me to the above address.

Your brother,

NBH

Mrs. Achamma Mathais,
Chairman, State Social
Welfare Advisory Board,
45-6, Government Hutments,
Cooperage, Fort,
BOMBAY

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th March, 1956.

My dear Shastriji,

As per our talk, I am writing this letter to you.

1. You know your Department carried on a survey for the opening of a new railway line between Nipani and Raibag on the one side and Nipani, Sankeshwar, Hukkeri and Ghataprabha on the other. A line has to go to Bagalkot from either Raibag or Ghataprabha. The people of that region do demand a line between Nipani and Bagalkot, but the question is whether the line should be taken via Raibag or via Ghataprabha, both the towns being stations on the meter-gauge of the Southern Railway between Belgaum and Miraj. Your Department has now finished the survey between Nipani and Raibag and between Nipani and Ghataprabha via Sankeshwar. We urge you to continue this survey up to Bagalkot. Then only, it is our belief, that it will be feasible for you to decide through which way the line should be taken.

2. At Ghataprabha in Belgaum District we have a Karnatak Health Institute which runs a general hospital and a Tuberculosis Sanatorium. I am connected with this Karnatak Health Institute as its Administrator. The Institute is 20 years old. Some years ago your Department had reserved some T.B. beds in our Institute's Sanatorium for the use of railway servants suffering from tuberculosis. For the last five years no railway employees suffering from T.B. seem to have come to our Sanatorium for treatment. I would like you to see whether it is possible for you to reserve some beds for the railway patients suffering from T.B. in our Institute's Sanatorium. I would be glad to know about it.

3. 80 lakhs of rupees were sanctioned for the improvement and modernisation of the Hubli Railway Workshop. Nothing has been done yet, though the amount was sanctioned long back. Coaches, etc. could be manufactured even in the Hubli Railway Workshop. I think, if I am not mistaken, some of them are being manufactured there. Why then should we delay in improving the same and getting more work done by investing more? I would like you to pay more attention to it.

4. I wish to draw your attention to the Sirsi-Siddapur and Jog road. You know that Sirsi is in Karwar District. This road is in a very bad condition, especially in winter it is impossible for us to visit Siddapur and even Jog. In order to visit Jog streams of people go by the Sirsi-Siddapur road. You can imagine the plight of them. Hence, we request you to see that that road is either cemented or tared.

5. Your Department has already been drawn to the fact that there ought to be a rail connection between Dandeli and Talguppa. From Talguppa we ought to have a rail connection with Jog Falls. Are you thinking about it? What have you to say in that matter?

6. Electricity is now available everywhere in the

Karnatak of Bombay, i.e. Karwar, Dharwar, Bijapur and Belgaum. Is not possible for you to make its use on your railway stations? Most of these places, except the big ones, are yet lighted with petromaxes. I urge you to see that the railway stations in our part are electrified.

7. There is an urgent need for a retiring room on the Hubli station platform. I do not believe that it is very difficult for you to have one. It is such a big station with a Railway Workshop and a junction town not only for railway but even for other kinds of vehicles.

8. I need not write to you about the control system on the railway betwen Gadag and Sholapur. I am sure others are also after you for getting that section of the railway controlled by a control system. Will you kindly see to the passengers' convenience on that section? It is an awfully backward track in so far as your railway is concerned, backward in everything. Sometimes we have to hang our heads in shame when we talk about all kinds of traffic on that railway.

9. The yard outside the Ghataprabha station platform, where vehicles of all kinds stand, is very small. It has to be widened and lengthened and also tared or cemented. All the water that is used in the station by passengers collect in that yard, because it has no proper outlet. Most of the cars and buses that come to the station to leave passengers have to go through the pools of this waste water. The attention of the station staff and the Hubli D.T.S.T. staff has been drawn to this fact, but they have not cared to look into the matter and improve the situation. I want you to know that Ghataprabha comes in the Community Project area of Hubli and Gokak taluks. Ghataprabha, therefore, is visited by a number of persons from all over the country including Ministers from the Centre and the States. I would like you to see that the yard outside the station is improved and separate waiting rooms for men and women are provided.

10. I am sorry I am taking your time, but as you wanted me to put all these on paper and send it to you I am doing so. I will be highly obliged to you if you ask your officers to look into these matters immediately and write to you so that you will be in a position to let me know as to what you would do.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri,
Minister for Transport &
Railways,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th March, 1956

My dear Dr. Mrs. Bhagavat,

From the reports that I have received from Hubli, I come to know that all is not well in the Hospital. Don't you think that it is bad? Don't you think that it harms us all? Don't you think that the staff and the workers should be more careful and alert in their duties?

Please see that all rules regarding theatre and theatrical work are observed when operations are performed.

I have myself seen that masks were not being used by some of those who were operating; who were giving anasthesces; who were helping the doctors. Then only I went to see Dr. Mahajan in her house and I told her to immediately warn her staff about this kind of neglect. I am sure she did warn them. If the same thing is happening again and again I will have to deal with it differently. Please do warn all those who have anything to do with the operation theatre to follow the rules strictly.

I am not a practising physician or a surgeon; but I know something of medical science, as I have gone through a medical course of four years. I personally think, and I am sure you will agree with me that medical profession is the noblest profession on earth. We who belong to that profession should not get away from that nobility. We ought to honour the medical science.

I am a disciplinarian and as such I want my friends and colleagues like you and others working in the Women's Hospital to observe discipline.

It seems that the Nursing staff also is not behaving properly. Are the nurses being misled by any one? Or, are they themselves becoming unruly and care not for the discipline of the Hospital? I want you to deal with the Nursing staff separately and independently and find out the reasons of indiscipline amongst them. I want you to submit to me a report immediately so that I may take necessary action against those who are guilty.

Let me tell you that no indiscipline on the part of any one who is working in and for the hospital will be tolerated henceforward. Please make this fact known to all those who are working in and for the hospital.

Your brother,

NSH

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th March, 1956.

My dear Abid Ali,

I have here a letter from Mr. Vasanta Hanumant Sabnis of Dharwar. He is a very good worker. He has qualified himself in Labour Welfare. I would like him to serve some good mill. If you are in need of any good worker please let me know. I will tell Mr. Sabnis. We must have good workers as Labour Welfare Officers in our mills. Hence I am writing to you about this boy, Mr. Sabnis. Please do reply.

Your brother,

VSH

Shri Abid Ali,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th March, 1956.

My dear Raj Bahadur,

I am sending you herewith a copy of an application that I have received from a friend of mine. The applicant Mr. A.V. Kulkarni is a very good worker. I would like you to go through the application and let me know as to what could be done in his case. I will be highly obliged to you if you can do anything for him.

I have not yet received anything in writing from you about the reservation of seats in the Karnatak Health Institute Sanatorium for Tuberculosis patients. Will you kindly let me know about it by Monday? I will be highly obliged to you. I am leaving Delhi on the 20th morning at 8.30 by the Frontier Mail for Bombay.

What have you done about the opening of the Post Office at Hubli? Please reply to me immediately.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

Shri Raj Bahadur,
Minister in the Ministry
of Communications,
9, Akbar Road,
NEW DELHI

10, Akbar Road,
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19th March, 1956.

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Yours affectionately,

JNN

Dr.N.S. Hardiker, M.P.

10, Akbar Road,
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March 19, 1956.

My dear Nimbkar,

Mr. Badakere might have already told you that I will be in Bombay on Wednesday the 21st of this month. I am coming by the Frontier Mail that day. On the 22nd by the Deccan Queen I leave for Ghataprabha and will be there on the 23rd, 24th and 25th. 26th onwards for a few days, I will be at Hubli.

Chitra Suddha Pratipada falls on April 12. Exactly one year previous to that date the foundation of Dr. Hardiker's residence at Ghataprabha was laid by Dr.Vatsala Vaidya. I hope on that day this year Mr. Vishnupant Nimbkar, the Chairman of the Governing Council of the Karnatak Health Institute will throw open the residence for the occupants. This is to be done in a ceremony to be performed that day. Please consent. I have already written about it to Dr. Vaidya, Bheemarao Poddar, Dr. B.B. Kulkarni and others. Please reserve April 11, 12 and 13 for this purpose.

I will have a talk with you about this and other subjects when I meet you at Bombay this time. I hope you will give me a plan [redacted] Poddar's house before I leave Bombay for Ghataprabha.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

KH

Dr.N.S.Hardikar

Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha, Dist.Belgaum.
March 24, 1956.

My Dear Shastriji,

As per our talk I had written to you a letter in which a mention was made of all our requirements. After your return to New Delhi I am sure you have read the letter and have attended to the same. Anyway whether you have received it or not I am again sending a copy of the same today for your perusal and action.

Hoping to be excused for the trouble.

Your brother,

To,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri,
Minister for Railways & Transport,
New Delhi.

Dr.N.S.Hardikar

Karnatak Health Institute
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March 24, 1956.

My Dear Jagjivanramji,

This is only to remind you of the talk we had regarding the visit of the Prime Minister to Hubli. Do you remember that I had requested you to see that the Post Office building in Hubli be opened by the Prime Minister when he visits that city? Your colleague, Shri Rajbahadur, laid foundation of the same last year and I thought that it will be appropriate if the Prime Minister opened it. You said that you would handle this question and see what you could do in the matter.

What have you done ? I would like to know.

With kind regards.

Your brother,

N.S.H.

To,
Shri Jagjivanram,
Minister for Communications,
New Delhi.

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MINISTER FOR LABOUR & HEALTH
GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY
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No. 490-MRT/56.

MINISTER FOR
TRANSPORT & RAILWAYS
INDIA

New Delhi,
The 29th March, 1956.

My dear Hardikarji,

Your letter of the 24th March.

I have received your former letter also and have asked for comments on the points raised therein from the Railway Board.

Trust you are well.

Yours sincerely,

Lal Bahadur

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Shri N.S.Hardikar, M.P.,
Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha. Dist.Belgaum.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS.

(RAILWAY BOARD.)

No. DS/Co-ord/56. New Delhi, the ~~2nd~~ 3-4 April, 1956.

To

Dr. N.S.Hardiker,
Member Parliament,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 17.3.1956 addressed to the Minister for Transport & Railways and to say that the points mentioned therein are receiving attention.

Yours faithfully,

P. Das

DY.SECRETARY,RLY.BOARD.

Reminder on May 2, 1956 from New Delhi

r.N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

April 23, 1956.

To

The Secretary,
Rajya Sabha Secretariat,
Parliament House,
NEW DELHI.

Sir,

I write to inform you that I left Hubli (my home town) on the 16th night for Delhi via Bombay and reached Delhi on the evening of the 20th by the Frontier Mail, to attend the Thirteenth Session of the Rajya Sabha. I have already submitted my usual arrival report to Notice Office. I, therefore, request you to arrange to pay necessary T.A. admissible under the Rules, for a newly elected member of the Parliament. Please note that I have already returned my old Identity Card cum Railway Pass to the office and received a new one on the 21st evening.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

NNH

CENTRAL RAILWAY.

OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL
~~TRANSPORTATION~~ SUPERINTENDENT,
VICTORIA TERMINUS, BOMBAY.

No. BB/C/302-GP/56/188 Dated 24th April,1956.

Dr. N.S.Hardikar,
Member of Parliament,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

Amenities at Poona station.

With reference to your complaint dated 12th March addressed to the D.T.S. Southern Rly.Hubli, one of your comments is in regard to the congestion caused by railway luggage and parcels kept on the M.G. platforms. It is realised that this placing of parcels on the platform does cause inconvenience to passengers using the platform and constant attention is being given to ensure that such inconvenience is minimised. The parcels kept on these M.G. platforms are received and despatched by various trains and between such receipts and despatches they have to be kept stacked on the platforms, until they are repacked into parcel vans. It is regretted that there are no alternative arrangements which can be made on these platforms for the stacking of parcels and luggage which have to be despatched by several trains. Consideration is at present being given to ascertain whether improved parcel facilities cannot be provided at Poona, and in this consideration due attention will be paid to the point mentioned by you.

2. In regard to there being insufficient benches for people to sit on, it has been proposed to provide additional benches on the platform and it is hoped that these will be manufactured and put into position for the convenience of passengers, within a few months.

3. In regard to the notice board containing the list of reservations, instructions have been issued that they should be neatly hand-written and legible. We do not have a typewriter supplied to the reservation office at Poona and it is considered that it should suffice if what is written on the reservation board; even if hand-written, is quite legible and distinct. The Station Supdt. Poona already has instructions to arrange for the reservation list to be positioned in a more conspicuous and better lit up place near the footoverbridge.

Yours faithfully,

(A.V.D'COSTA)
DIVL. SUPERINTENDENT.

avd/gds.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

April 25, 1956.

My dear Kamala,

Yes, I have your three letters. I could not reply to you as I was moving here and there. I was busy in Karnatak with the programme of the Prime Minister. I came here on the 20th. I wanted to write to you immediately, but again being busy here, I could not do so. In the meantime your letter of the 17th arrived. Excuse me for not being regular in writing to you. I know how you feel. I want to answer all your questions. I want to write to you long letters and get your reactions also. I do not want you to think that I get tired to read your letters. I like them. I like your questions. I like your writings and your insistence upon getting my replies. It is the love of a daughter that forces you to demand a reply from me. I am ashamed I am not replying to you as promptly as you are writing. Anyway, I hope I will succeed if I try to be in regular correspondence with you. Let me see.

Where is Guru now? I wish him success in his attempts towards organizing villagers. After all you should remember that he is meant for such work and not for the so called business which brings cash.

Give my love to the children and to Guru wherever he is. I am anxious to meet you and have a long chat with you in your house, but just when, I do not know.

I am here for 40 days more. Continue writing to this address.

Yours affly.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

April 27, 1956.

My dear Bhau,

This morning I have wired to you as follows:

"Adarsha Printery,
Fort, Hubli.
Wire whether printing and
delivery Sahitya Academy's three
hundred pages crown octavo Bhagwan
Buddha three thousand copies be-
fore May end possible (stop). Paper
cost Govt. ment's responsibility
(stop) Is Mysore or other paper
readily available letter posted.
Narayan."

I had a discussion with Mr. Mohan Rao. The wire is the result of that discussion. He wants me to take up this work and finish it within the prescribed time. There is a lot of work that has to be done during the 4 or 5 years. All that, at least a major portion of it will have to be done by the Adarsha Printery. True, it will be a strain at the beginning, but later on it would be definitely helping the Trust. He urges, therefore, to get this work done. I am not in a position to give him any final reply, because, it is not I who get the work done, but it is you and Mangooli. You have to tell me whether it is possible for you to undertake new business of this type and satisfy the clients.

Ours is a poor organisation. We have no money. It is not at all possible for us to undertake heavy financial responsibility. I know all that. I have already spoken about to my friends here. Still they wanted me to consult you, Hence I had to wire.

Mohan Rao has taken action on the letter of Mr. Mangooli regarding blocks etc. I want you to write to me and let me know the exact position in so far as the printing of the Central Government is concerned. After I get your letter I will have a talk with him. I have already written to you to write to Mohan Rao direct. His address is "35/17, Ferozshah Road, New Delhi.

How much money have you received for Jagirdar's book which you have sent to the Government of India? Have you received any money from any other sources for other [redacted]? How many [redacted] did you print? How many have gone out? How much money have you to get for the sake of printing and publishing Jagirdar's book. After I get your letter in this matter, I will approach the proper authorities.

Please inform Karegudri that I have attended to his work. The head of the department has given instructions to see that programmes are given to him immediately. In one of my last letters I have asked you or Ramu to secure more information for me from

p.t.o.

Karegudri about the Kirtanas that he is delivering under instructions from Government.

Please hand over the accompanying letter to Mrs. Shamalabai Bhagavat immediately . I am sure she will get this letter before Dr. Mahajan reaches.

My love to all,

Yours affly,

MKB

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

April 27, 1956.

My dear Dr. Bhagawat,

I hasten to write to you in reply to your letter dated 25-4-56. I have also received a letter from Dr. Mahajan stating that she was leaving Ghataprabha on the 28th and was halting at Belgaum for a day. From that letter of her's I gather that she will be in Hubli on Monday the 30th.

What I want you to do is to welcome her back to the Hospital. For this purpose, do hold a meeting in the Hall of all the nurses, the staff, doctors and our and her friends, as early as you can and thank the Almighty for having restored her to good normal health and saved her for continuing the services to the Women's Hospital in Hubli as well as to the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha.

In spite of my telling you, I am sure you and Dr. Rao might have already thought of it, but anyway I thought it would be right on my part to write to you. I am hastening with this letter. Please do take the help of Mr. Nathuradas, the Secretary, as also Ramarao Khevade. If necessary, show this letter to both of them. It would be better if you invite members of the Governing Council; but the invitation must be sent unofficially by you. The official function may take place after I come back.

Do let me know as to what you do?

Yours affly,

MK

THE KARNATAK HEALTH INSTITUTE,
GHATAPRABHA.

Date: 1-5-1956

From:

Chief Medical Officer,
K.H.I. Hospitals, Ghataprabha.

To

The Project Executive Officer,
Hukkeri.

Sub:- Mass miniature X-Ray ... help for.

Ref:- Talk with your representatives and the Collector.

Sir,

Mass Miniature Radiography is best suited for our place where due to poverty many persons refuse to get the valuable aid of this wonderful means to diagnose and treat their ailments.

I have been thinking of it for long time now decided to take the aid of C. D. Help on learning that it would be possible to consider valuable need for the people.

As we talked ... I think it will be a good proposal, practicle for our present financial position, our desire to awaken the people to take advantage of this machine, and your requirements.

In the Machine, there are two parts:- a Camera and a complete unit. The cost of Camera will be about Rs. 30,000/- and that of a complete unit about Rs. 60,000/- from the quotations that I have received.

I propose the following as discussed:-

1. You should give the amount to purchase the complete unit as Grant-in-aid to Karnatak Health Institute.

2. K.H.I. should in turn contribute its mite by doing free X-Ray work for all those who need it from the C.D.P. area with a bonafide certificate from some Government Authority and a necessary certificate from either the Civil Surgeon the A.D. P.H., or the C. M. O. of the Karnatak Health Institute.

3. The facility should be expended to the Belgaum District also and K.H.I. should agree to x-ray anyone in the Belgaum Distri for the cost charge of Rs. 12/ (Twelve Annas only).

4. The services to last as long as the machine is working. I have to bring to your notice that the whole idea is to raise the level of Health consciousness at least in those who are accessible to us, and take advantage of the technical and other services of the only well equipped hospital that we have in the North of Karnatak and particularly as they are willing to do it and the C.D.P. also has it to help the peopl at least in its area.

I have also quotations from some of the Radiological Firms already with me if you feel that the whole thing is acceptable and you would like to bring it to reality speedily.

I am sending this to you as required to reach before 3rd inst and hope it will serve its purpose. If more information be required I will be only too pleased to help you any time.

Thanking you in anticipation,

In the interest of the people,

Yours faithfully.

Express letter.

To

The District Health Officer,
Belgaum.

Subject:- Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha,
Assistance to our project funds.

NO. KHDSR- 44 HUKKERI 8th May 1956.

Please refer to the discussions held on the above subject in the meeting of the Area Development Committee held on 3-5-1956 and submit to this office suitable detailed schemes on the three proposals separately. You may, if necessary contact the Chief Medical Officer, of the Karnatak Health Institute, for the requisite detail of the - schemes. The letters received from the Chief Medical Officer are en -closed herewith for reference and return.

An early action in the matter is requested.

Sd/ S. I. Patil
Project Executive Officer,
Hukeri.

Copy f.w.cs to the Chief Medical Officer, K.H.I. Ghataprabha, for information.

Copy submitted to the Collector of Belgaum for informatio

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THE KARNATAK HEALTH INSTITUTE,
GHATAPRABHA.

Date: 17-5-1956

To

The District Health Officer,
Belgaum.

Ref:- Your visit here for cosideration of ...
Sub:- Promotion of somw Welfare activities here through C. D. P. administration.
(Express letter from Project. Executive Officer)8-5-56

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the copy of K.H.I. Constitution which I would not give you that day. It should help to indicate the basic ideology on which the Institution has grown.

As its work has come to be known recently, due to vast increase in its Non-tuberculous services in Medical line, it has received recognition from Bombay Government, Central Government, and wider populance, and has received help from Bombay Government,- Centre, UNICEF, CARE, CORSO, Unitarian Service Comittee of Canada and various individuals in Bombay State, and Ministers of Centre. That has helped us to increase the free service given to the poor.

In thinking about the aid expected from the C.D.P I want the following points to be given due consideration:-

1: Put no financial burden on K.H.I. as far as possible.

2: Take as much technical and personal services instead as can possibly be given.

3: If anavoidable, let it be of a graudal nature.

4: The whole plan is not to think not in terms of business but utility to public and maximum - utilisation of Institutional resources which are struggling to work in that direction for so many years.

5: The whole machinery is directed towards the following.

A. awakening the ignorant villagers to take advantage of the possibilities of Modern Medicine.

B.

B. Give them the minimum necessary facilitites as long as possible.

C. Take help of all available facilities from this or any other voluntary organisation for the purpose.

I hope you have already moved in that direction and will be able to help do some valuable service to the District through the plans we have conceived.

Hoping to hear from you,

In the interest of the Institute,

(M.K. Vaidya, M.S.)
Chief Medical Officer.
K.H.I. Hospitals,
Ghataprabha.

No. CDP/2779 of 1956
Belgaum, 31st May 1956.

To

The Project Executive Officer,
Hukkeri.

Subject:- Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha.
Assistance to out of Project Funds.

Ref:- Your No. MED-SR-47 dated 8th May 1956.

In returning herewith the 3 letters received from the Chief Medica Officer, Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha I have to inform you - that I ahd personal discussion with the Chief Medical Officer of Karnata Health Institute, Ghataprabha. I have to offer my remarks as follows:-

The 2nd letter refers to the scheme of Mass Miniature X-ray. All the details of the scheme are contained in the letter of the Chief - Medical Officer alone but salient features would be as follows. The scheme is to provide free or cheap X-ray diagnostic facilities to the people of the Hukeri Project area and to the people of Belgaum district by combining the resources and efforts of the Project and the Karnatak Health Institute. The scheme will serve the needs of the people of the Project area and the northern Talukas of Belgaum district who cannot - easily make use of the service available at Belgaum due to poverty etc. It will also raise the level of Health consciousness among the general public of the area and will be of immense educative value. The highligh of the scheme are as follows:-

1) The Karnatak Health Institute should be given a grant-in-aid of Rs 60,000/- (or the exact amount neces ary as ascertained from the - latest quotations received by the Chief Medical Officer, Karnatak Health Institute) from the Project Funds for the purchase of a Mass Miniature Radiography set which would be installed in the Karnatak Health Instit--tute, Ghataprabha.

2) The Karnatak Health Institute, should carry on X-Ray work by providing all the necessary technical personnel and bear completely all the recurring expenditure in connection with the X-Ray plates, mainten--ance and repairs of the machine etc.

3) The Karnatak Health Institute should provide free X-Ray service to all the people from the Project area who need it and at a charge of annas. Twelve to those that belong to Belgaum District, but outside the Project area. X-Ray specilist should be provided to all such persons.

4) It will be difficult for all the persons coming for X-Ray - service to be in possession of " Necessity certificates " from the Civil Surgeon. " Necessity Certificates " issued from any Government Medical Officer in the district should suffice. Only in cases where the Chief Medical Officer, Karnatak Health Institute disagrees with the certifica--tes issued by the Government Medical Officers should " Necessity - Certificates " from the Civil Surgeon be insisted upon.

5) The services hould continue throughout the normal life of the Machine and all the breakdowns and repairs should attended to by the - Karnatak Health Institute authorities expeditiously in order to ensure smotth slow of the service to the people.

Sd/
District Health Officer,
Belgaum.

Copy w.cs. to:-

The Chief Medical Officer, Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha with a request to kindly send me further particulars re--garding the Maternity and Children Health Centre that is proposed.

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No. DDB/CDP/4

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF BELGAUM,
BELGAUM, DATED 24TH AUGUST 1956.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Political and Services Department,
Sachivalaya,
BOMBAY.

Subject:- Community Development Project.
Hukkeri.
Sanction of schemes under
Health and Rural Sanitation.

1. Government may kindly be moved to issue early orders in the following three proposals submitted by the Project Executive Officer, Hukeri.

Sr.No:	Project Executive Officers No. & Date:	Nature of the Scheme.
1	MEDSR-44 dated 30-6-1956	Assistance to Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha for Mass Miniature X-Ray
2	MEDSR-44(a) dated 8-8-1956	Grant-in-aid to Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha for const--ruction of maternity Ward.
2	MELSR-66 dated 16-8-1956	Grant-of-loan to - Karnatak Health Insti--tute Ghataprabha for staff quarter.

Sd/ S.H. Ranade.
Collector of Belgaum.

DSC-24/8
No. DUB/CDP/4. Belgaum, Dated 24TH AUGUST 1956.

Copy forwarded with compliments to the:-
(1) Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha.

(ii) Project Executive Officer, Hukkeri.

Sd/ S.U. Ranade.
Collector of Belgaum.

DSC-24/8

LETTER.

To: The Collector of Belgaum.

Sachivalaya, Bombay, 13th September 56.

No. CDP.4756-101215-S.

Subject:- Community Development Project, Hukeri.
Sanction of schemes under Health and Rural Sanitation.

Reference your letter No. DDB/CDP/4, dated the 24th August 1956 on the subject mentioned above.

2. The following is the position of the schemes in question:

1)	Assistance to Karnatak Health Institute for Mass Miniature X-Ray.	The remarks of the Director of Public Health and Surgeon General have been received and the matter is under consideration of Government.
2)	Grant-in-aid to Karnatak Health Institute for con-sideration of maternity Ward.	Remarks of the Director of Public Health and Surgeon Gener-al are awaited. They have been reminded.
3)	Grant of loan to Karnatak Health Institute for Staff Quarters.	A reply rejecting the proposal has been sent to the Project Officer Hukeri under Government letter, Political and Services Department, No. CDP.4256-96316, dated 27th August 1956

Sd/- G. Z. Vanjara,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Political and Services, Department.

No. DDB/CDP/4,
Belgaum, dated 19th September 1956

Copy forwarded with compliments to the Chief Medical Officer Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha for information.

2. This has reference to this office endorsement No. Even dated 24th August 1956.

3. A copy of the Government letter, Political and Services Department, No. CDP-4256/96316-S, dated 27th August 1956, under which the proposal of the Loan to K. H. I. for staff Quarters has been rejected is enclosed.

Sd/
For Collector of Belgaum.

" TRUE COPY "

IMMEDIATE Pl.

No. MEDSR-44
HUKERI 17th SEPT. 1956

To

The Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
Ghataprabha.

Subject:- K.H.I., Ghataprabha.
Supply of Mass X-Ray plant to...

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No. nil dated 1-5-1956, on the above subject and let me know by return of post if the condition that the the K.H.I., should provide free X-Ray services to all the people from the Project area who need it, is applicable to all cases and not T. B. cases only.

This information is required by the Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay and it may, therefore, please be supplied ix immediately.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/
Project Executive Officer,
Hukeri.

THE KARNATAK HEALTH INSTITUTE,

GHATAPRABHA:

Date: 20-9-1956

From:

The Chief Medical Officer,
Karnatak Health Institute,
GHATAPRABHA.

To

The Project Executive Officer,
HUKKERI.

Ref:- Yours MEDSR-44 dated 17-9-1956 Immediate Pl.

Sub:- Mass X-Ray plant to K. H. I. by C. D. P.

Sir,

As I had a talk about this point with yourself, the Collector, Belgaum, and the Addl. Development Comissioner, Shri.Capt. Mohite while I was in Bombay last, This problem has to depend on - the type of Machine that can be purchased from the amount sanctioned by you.

The original quotations amounting to Rs. 60,000/- or there about submitted by various firms included a " Straight Hood " Mass X-Ray Camera which can be used for Chest X-Ray only. If this is sanctioned, we will be able to do only the chest X-Ray work free.

We would, however, like to had requested that the amount with the machine, free for the areas quoted by them for a better marki be about Rs. 80,000/- to 85 machine capable of doing all the work.

You may therefore inform the Surgeon General that we will do all the work necessary if this machine is given as all our - efforts are to create maximum facilities for the other public also besides the main object of creating awakening among the villagers for whom we have been working last 20 years all on our own.

Thanking you,

In the Interest of the Institite,

(M. K. Vaidya, M.S.)
Chief Medical Officer,
K.H.I. Hospitals,
Ghataprabha

After this - reminders were sent to the Block D.O's but not replies.
The B.D.O's replied last in January that they had recommended to Govt. of Mysore - Grants for co-ops and K.H.I.
We learnt that there were enough funds to give them
we approached Collector — he confirmed it.
Then we learnt that grant was given to co-ops. and that we should enquire why we were not given.
We then presented the facts personally to the Commissioner on 20th March. [illegible] in the Dist. Com. in charge

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

2nd May, 1956.

To the A.T.S.
Hubli Division
Hubli
S. Roy

Dear brother,

Some time ago I had written to you about amenities to be provided at Poona Railway station. I know you did reply. You had also said that you were bringing my suggestions to the notice of the Divisional Superintendent, Central Railway, Bombay. Four days ago I have received a reply from the Divisional Superintendent of the said railway. Thanks for the trouble taken by you in getting everything that I wanted done.

(1) Now I just want to draw your attention to the catering arrangement on the Hubli railway station. A number of times during the last four months I have felt that no good drinks from the stall holders on the Hubli railway station are available. The tea that they serve is not at all good. When we take a cup full of that tea, we have to be told that it is tea. Such is the quality of the tea that is served on the Hubli railway station and it has become impossible for the passengers to get coffee after, I think, 8 p.m. I do not know why this restriction has been put on the South Indian Railway caterer.

The other day when Mr. Panditappa Chikkodi was travelling by the Express train from Hubli to Belgaum at night, I was a co-passenger with him. Not only he, but I too wanted a cup of hot drink. The tea, as we knew, was useless and coffee was not available. What was to be done? I would like to know as to why you have placed a restriction on the sale of coffee after a certain hours in the evening. I think it is very wrong. It is pure and simple injustice to the travelling public to take away the amenity that is given by the Government.

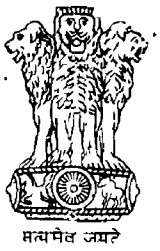
(2) I have requested you to go to Ghataprabha and see the pools of dirty water that flows from the railway station to the place where the buses and cars are parked. You have to do something to stop it. Recently a row of houses near the railway station area has been demolished. It is a good thing. That gives you good open space. Possibly much of the land area that were occupied by the demolished houses belonged to the Railway. Now that the houses have gone, you have enough space there to construct a good yard for vehicles to stand. That is why I requested you to pay a visit to Ghataprabha station and study the whole thing. I have already suggested that a bigger waiting room for gents and a waiting room for ladies be created together with a parcel room.

(3) Electricity is now available everywhere. Why not see that most of your station platforms on the meter gauge at least between Harihar and Miraj are electrified. I have made this suggestion to the Railway Minister and I am sure you will have no objection to recommend the same to the Railway Board.

Hoping to receive an early reply from you,

Your brother,

NSH.



No. 716-MRT/56.

MINISTER FOR
TRANSPORT & RAILWAYS
INDIA

New Delhi,
May 3, 1956.

My dear [illegible]

Will you kindly refer to your D.O. dated 17th March 1956? The position in regard to the points raised in your D.O. is as given in the enclosed note.

Yours sincerely,

[illegible]

Dr. N.S. Hardiker, M.P.,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

No.10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

May 7, 1956.

My dear Punjabarao,

It is not necessary for me to tell you that I am connected with the Karnatak Health Institute at Ghataprabha, District Belgaum and the Womens' Hospital at Hubli, District Dharwar. Both these institutions have been visited by you last year. I am sure you have not forgotten those visits.

I am writing to you today in the name of the Karnatak Health Institute of Ghataprabha. I am sure you will go through this letter and reply to me at your convenience.

The Institute is located on a small hillock in Ghataprabha where there is absolutely no vegitation. It is difficult even to get water in that place. In spite of these difficulties and drawbacks, we have been working there for the last 20 years and trying to serve the ailing -- humanity. So far we have been able to construct about 30 buildings - big and small - and have occupied about a third of the total acreage (140 acres) of the land we possess. At a cost of nearly Rs.35,000/- we have been able to get water from Ghataprabha canal which is about a mile from the Institute. We have been able to create some green shades in the area and have succeeded in planting about 500 trees of various kinds. All this has cost us immensely. In order to rear the plants we had to dig pits of 4' x 4' x 4' each costing Rs.12/-. To fill the same with dry earth another Rs.3/- had to be spent as without dry earth in the pit, the pit would be useless. Thus on the whole, about Rs.15/- were spent for planting one tree in that rocky area. Water that we get from the canal is insufficient for even human consumption. How then can we water the plants and other gardens? We find it extremely difficult to spend more money for the planting of trees or creating vegetable gardens or in getting a yield from the small agricultural patches that we have.

In order to maintain all that we have and also to increase the number of trees and bring some more land under gardening, we need some help. We want ploughs, a pumping set, more bullocks, more tube wells, a tank for storage of water, pipes for distribution of the same.

I am writing this to you since I fully know the interest that you are taking in private institutions like ours and the help that you have been rendering in your own way for their growth.

I thought I should write to you in confidence and place before you all my difficulties and requirements. I hope you will allow me to depend upon you for the further development of the --

p.t.o.

Karnatak Health Institute.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(V.S. Nardikar)

Dr. Punjabrao S. Deshmukh,
Minister for Agriculture,
Government of India,
NEW DELHI.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

8th May, 1956

My dear Khandpur,

I have your letter along with the copy of the song composed by Shri Gopal Dutt Sharma. I got the other copy also. Thanks.

The question that you have asked is not so simple as to answer. It raises the question of policy. ~~and~~ Also the desire on the part of your listeners has to be taken into consideration. Therefore, I did show your letter and the song to Dr. Keskar, your Minister, and handed over the song ~~to~~ Mr. Sharma to our friend, the national poet, Mr. Maithili Saran Gupta. The composition you said is not at all approved ~~by none~~ of us. any So it is out of question in so far as approval is concerned.

Secondly, it is history that you are depicting on the screen. People would like to hear the song sung for the last 30 years all over the land. It is that song and other two or three songs which enthused the people and goaded them to proceed on their march towards ~~the~~ freedom. We do want that song to go on the screen. But you please wait for two or three days more. If the Minister and the others go through the "Jhanda Uncha" song carefully, they will tell me just exactly how much of that is to be taken. At the present moment, I am merely acknowledging your letter and giving you some idea of the work that is being done towards the questions that you have raised.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

N. S. Hardiker

Shri K. L. Khandpur
Film Division
24 Peddar Road
Bombay 26

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

9th May, 1956

My dear Khandpur,

You must have received my letter posted yesterday.

Both Dr. Keskar and myself, along with Mr. Maithili Sharan Gupta, have come to the conclusion that the first stanza of the song "Jhanda uncha rahe hamara" must be retained in its original form and the same should be sung.

The new composition that you sent, as I have told you yesterday, is not at all approved and Rashtra Kavi Maithili Sharan Gupta has given a new composition but that will be popularised first by the Congress Seva Dal. That song has nothing to do with the screening of the National Flag that is now going on in Bombay.

So please used the first stanza of the old song "Jhanda uncha". For your ready reference I am sending you a copy of the song in which the first stanza is marked. Do acknowledge this letter also immediately.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

M.S.H.

Shri K.L. Khandpur,
c/o Films Division,
24, Peddar Road,
BOMBAY - 26

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

May 10, 1956.

My dear Pramila,

Won't this letter of mine surprise you? Your father was here at No.10 Akbar Road yesterday. I had a talk with him about you. I asked him to give me your address. He was very kind enough to give it to me. Hence, I am able to write to you.

How are? I would like to know. How long did you stay in Australia and that part of the continent? What Degrees did you secure and when did you return? How did you find people there? If you have time will you write to me. I know you are now the Principal of certain High School or College and as such you may not find much time to scribble a few lines to me. However, I do request you to spare a few minutes of your time and write to me.

Give my regards to Mr. Sarathy,

Your brother,
Nath

Mrs. Pramila Sarathy,
Principal,
494 Special A
Agapura,
HYDERABAD(DN).

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

May 10, 1956.

My dear Padmaben,

When I was in Bombay, on my way to Delhi this time, I did telephone to the Congress House and made enquiries about you; but I did not get any information. I was anxious to meet you and know someting of the work that you are doing in Bombay especially now when the A.I.C.C. is to be held at the beginning of the next month in your city. I wanted to know how your girls were behaving. Therefore I tried to look up for you, but failed. Anyway please write to me in detail to the address given above about your own organisation in Bombay and how you are going to work at the time of the A.I.C.C.

See Padmaben do you remember the promise that you gave to me at Amritsar? Chandra Prakash promised Rs.501/- and you Rs.101/-.This was for that Trust meant to give Jawahar prizes etc. Well, what about that promise? Won't you send the money now? I must before long collect a decent sum for the same. You will be the first to give me your contribution for that trust.

How is your health? How is your son's health? Give my love to him and ~~for~~ Dr. Patel.

Your brother,

JNH

Smt. Padmaben Patel,
8 B Sonawala Building,
Tardeo. BOMBAY.

Southern Railway.

R. Jagannathan,
D.T.S.

No.CXA 39/55

DTS's office,
Hubli, 10th May 1956.

Dear Dr. Hardiker,

Your letter of 2nd May 1956.

I acknowledge receipt of your letter quoted above and I am sorry for the delay in replying thereto. I was busy on inspection tour.

2. As regards the different points mentioned in your letter, I have to offer the following remarks:-

Item.(1) There is only one contractor on the platform at Hubli station. I am bringing to his notice the general complaints about the poor quality of tea offered in his stall and I shall insist on him to improve the same. I propose to do surprise checks myself and also to ask my Assistant Officers to do likewise. Coffee is sold only in the Departmental refreshment room which is closed at 8/30 P.M. since there is not sufficient customer to keep the room open after that hour. Generally, platform contractors at stations where there are departmental refreshment rooms are not permitted to sell coffee. I am, however, bringing your suggestions to the notice of the C.C.S.(Catering).

Item (2) In connection with another reference arising out of a letter addressed by you to the Railway Minister, I went to Ghatprabha recently and I had given recommendations regarding

(i) Extension of the circulating area by filling up the adjacent low lying areas,

(ii) Provision of a separate waiting room for ladies, and

(iii) Improvement to the waiting rooms.

I shall indicate the final decision of the Administration on these recommendations in due course.

3. As regards the stagnation of water near the circulating area, at the time of my visit there was no stagnation of water in the low lying area. The Engineering Department officials have informed me that such stagnation was happening formerly, when all the water from portion surrounding the platform tap was flowing into this area, but that since then other arrangements had been made for drainage of this water towards the opposite side.

4. I shall be glad to inspect the station again along with you if you can communicate any suitable date convenient to you. I shall try to get the District Engineer also for the inspection.

Item.(3) As regards the provision of a bigger parcel room this is indeed a necessity but the same is the situation at several other stations and the work of providing additional accommodation for parcels offices is being taken up on a programmed basis having regard to the volume of traffic dealt with at each station and accommodation already available.

(P.T.O.)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

15th May, 1956

My dear Doctor,

Please excuse me for writing this letter to you.

I write about the Indian Women's Aid Society's (women's) Hospital at Hubli. This institution is in existence from 1915 and is serving women and children of not only Hubli City proper but also of the District of Dharwar as well as of the neighbouring districts. It receives a grant of Rs.2,900/- from the Government of Bombay, also, from the Hubli Municipality, the Dharwar Local Board, the Duffrin Fund and some similar other organisations in the district of Dharwar. For your information I am herewith sending to you a copy of the "facts and figures" about the said Society. It will throw some light on the work that is being done by them for the last 40 years.

I am the President of the Society. As such I have to look to the administration of the Hospital and help the permanent staff in running the same. I know it is difficult for the Society to run the hospital as the number of those who receive help and care has gradually increased and it is difficult for it to meet both the ends.

The Madras Southern Maratha Railway used to give a grant of Rs.500/- per annum to the above Society. All of a sudden, I think, about 8 years ago that grant was stopped by the M.S.M. Railway. When the railways were reorganised the authorities of the Southern Railway it seems did not renew the grant. But, as the Society was short of funds, it had to appeal to the Madras authorities of the railways through the D.M.O. at Hubli for renewing the grant. I am told that the grant that was given to us was from the Staff Benefit Fund. Our appeal had some effect and we got once or twice during the last 8 years Rs.250/- each. That is all.

We are short of funds and the number of patients that we have to treat both outdoor and indoor has increased by leaps and bounds. Amongst these patients more than one-fourth are from the Railway area. This is what I wanted you to know. Hence I had to write this letter and appeal to you to see your way through to give us a grant of Rs.500/- every year, as we used to get in the past.

Hoping to hear from you soon to the address given above,

Your brother,

N.S.H

The Chief Medical Officer,
Southern Railway Headquarters,
MADRAS

December 3, 1952.

R. . . Karasekhar,
hief edical fficer,
outhern ailway,
adras.

Sir :

nnual rant :

I refer to my last application dated 4-th ebruary 1952, requesting your good self for sanction and payment of your annual grant to this hospital, for the year 1 51-52. Hope s for not been favoured with any remittance for a reply. ence, this appeal again.

h last remittance received from you was for the ear 1950-51, .500/-, vide your memo . -115/262 dated 10. 4. 1 51. I should therefore deem it a favour if you will kindly look into the matter and favour us with your remittance for the two years, 1951-52 and also 1952-53, at an early date.

As your istrict edical fficer, ublic, personally knows, on account of the sharp rise in the cost of living, we have been obliged to increase the dearness allowance to taff. esides, the annual increments according to the ay cale newly introduced also cost us a lot. In addition, on account of the general rise in prices of all daily necessities including drugs and medicines as also linen etc., the establishment charges have also gone up. ith the sources of income as they now stand, I find it very difficult to make both ends meet.

Being a charity hospital, its sources of income are necessarily limited. It has to depend mainly on Government grants, donations from the local unicipality, istrict Local Board and the Railway, as also contributions from the public. Inspite of all our endeavours, the funds realised cannot keep up with the growing expenditure. Thus there is an annual recurring deficit of nearly .5000/- every year.

I am enclosing herewith a brief list of attendance figures for the last couple of years, from which the service and

utility rendered by this Hospital and also its growing popularity can be easily gauged.

This the only Hospital devoted exclusively for the welfare of all women and children, irrespective of caste, creed or religion. Besides, being a Maternity Hospital, general diseases and ailments of women and children are also treated.

The Hospital also runs a training school for Midwives, recognised by the Bombay Nursing Council. Probationer Midwives are trained and sent up for the qualifying Examination of the Bombay Nursing Council. The results have so far been very satisfactory.

The Medical Officer in charge also attends two child welfare centres maintained in this city, in an honorary capacity.

This Hospital is run exclusively by women Medical Staff.

It is therefore prayed that in view of the excellant service rendered by this Hospital to one and all including your local Railway Staff as well, you will please consider this appeal for help favourably and do your best to extend the maximum help you can to this deserving and growing institution.

Thanking you again for any kindly consideration you can show to this Hospital and awaiting your remittance,

I remain,

Sir,

Yours faithfully,

utility rendered by the Hospital and its growing popularity can be easily gauged.

The Hospital maintains a full fledged Blood Bank, An Ultra Violet Ray Apparatus etc.

This is a charity Hospital, exclusively for Women and Children. Besides being a Paternity Hospital, general diseases and ailments of women and children are also treated.

It is run exclusively by women Medical Staff.

The Hospital also runs a Training School for Midwives, recognised by the Bombay Nursing Council. Probationer Midwives are trained and sent for up for the qualifying examination of the Bombay Nursing Council. The results have so far been very satisfactory.

The Medical Officer in charge also attends two Child Welfare Centres maintained in this City, in an honorary capacity.

It is therefore prayed that in view of the utility and services rendered by the Hospital to one and all, irrespective of caste, creed or religion, and includi your local Railway Staff as well, and in consideration of its financial needs, you will please give this matter your best and urgent consideration and restore the grant from t year 1948 and arrange payment early. The Hospital finance are in deficit to the extent of nearly Rs.5000/- every year

I am enclosing herewith a brief list of attenda figures for the last couple of years from which the servic and utility rendered by the Hospital and its popularity c be very easily gauged.

I, therefore, beg to request you to kindly consider this appeal for help favourably and do your best to provide the maximum relief to this deserving institut

and help the Management in their up hill task.

Thanking you again for any consideration and help you can extend to this growing institution and awaiting your early reply,

Yours faithfully,

Encls.

November 4, 1947

The Chief Medical Officer,
M. & S. M. Railway
Madras.

Sir,

This is an appeal in aid of a deserving cause. It is sheer necessity and I should say, a sacred duty.

On account of the increased costs of maintenance, the establishment charges of our Hospital have gone up enormously and we are now faced with a deficit of over Rs.3000/- for the current year.

The increase in expenditure is partly due to the employment of extra candidates for Mid-wives Training Course and the Dearness Allowance granted to the Staff. The attendance of patients - both indoor and outdoor - has also increased enormously - almost ten fold. Consequentl expenditure on Diet, Medicines, Drugs, Linen etc., has also gone up.

Every care and attention is exercised over the expenditure, compatible with efficiency in service. Still we find it very difficult to make both ends meet, within the present income of our Society.

This Hospital is, as you may perhaps be knowing, rendering yeomen and much needed service to the suffering poor, women folk and children from the poor class.

I, therefore, write this to request you to kindly extend to us your helping hand and sanction a really substantial increase in the annual grant so as to keep the Hospital well equipped and capable of meeting the ever growing demand on its services. Every pie that you contribute will go a long way in ameliorating those suffering and needy women and children, seeking aid in the Hospital and you will thus earn their ever lasting gratitude.

For your information I beg to add that a very substantial number from your Railway Staff receive medical aid from our Hospital, this being the only institution in Hubli catering to Maternity and Child-welfare.

The Railway has been allowing us an annual grant of Rs.500/- for the last ~~fourteen~~ years. This is quite insufficient, specially in these hard days and in consideration of the utility of the Institution. I, therefore, beg to request you to please consider the matter favourably and increase the annual grant substantially, at least commensurate with the services rendered by the Hospital to your Staff.

The Hospital is badly in need of Nurses Quarters, for which the Government have promised us some help, provided we also make up a substantial Fund for that purpose. Any amount that you can kindly sanction as a contribution towards this Fund will also be thankfully received.

I count upon your unstinted and prompt support and am now awaiting your remittance.

Thanking you,

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

INDIAN WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY

(FOUNDED IN 1915)

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

Hubli May 21, 1956.

My Dear Doctor :

I have to thank you for your letter of the 15-th May.

Following are the particulars of the grants received by the Hospital from the Southern Railway

1945 - 46	:	Rs.500.-.-
46 - 47	:	Rs.500.-.-
47 - 48	:	Rs.500.-.-
48 - 49	:	----
49 - 50	:	----
50 - 51	:	----
51 - 52	:	Rs.500.-.-
52 - 53	:	-----
53 - 54	:	Rs.250.-.-
54 - 55	:	Rs.250.-.-

As usual, applications praying for grants were submitted to the Chief Medical Officer, Madras every year and reminders were also sent. Whenever the Railway Officers happen to visit Hubli, we have approached them through you, as you may well remember. You have also addressed them personally on several occasions.

Except when they remitted the grants, there were no other communications from the Railways as to the reasons for not sanctioning the grants during particular years.

Copies of letters taken out from the old files are sent herewith.

Please do your best.

With regards,

sincerely yours :

Matthen Ass Mayalan

Statement ~~of~~ showing the number of relatives of Employees treated in Indian Women's ~~in~~ aid Society's Hospital, Hubli, from 1.1.1956 to 31.5.1956

Month	In-Door		Out-Door		
	Total	Rly Emp. relatives	Total	Rly.Emp. relatives	
January	139	22	592	52	8.7
February	143	31	496	91	18.3
March	163	35	533	79	14.8
April	192	36	484	87	17.9
May	172	29	533	81	15.1

Medical Officer,
I/Ch. I.W.A.S. Hospital, HUBLI

Statistics showing In Door, out Door and Fees collected from 1-1-56 to 31-5-56.

1956	In Door		out door		In Door	Fees collected Injection	Fees collected charges Book	Total
	Total	Daily Average	Total	Daily Average				
Jan.	139	39.6	1930	77.1	546 8 -	456 4 -	685 3 -	1687 15
F.6	143	36.7	1783	72.9	286 12 -	278 - -	640 12 -	1205 8
March	163	43.06	1503	57.5	653 -	410 - -	927 1 -	1990 1
April	192	48.2	1867	77.8	755 12 -	332 - -	959 5 -	2047 1 -
May.	172	44.4	2206	81.9	846 - -	572 -	901 4 -	2319 4

Medical Officer,
IICB. [illegible] Hospital, KOLI

	1953			1954			1955		
	Total Treated	Relatives of Ely Emp	Per cent of	Total Treated	Relatives of Ely Emp	Per cent of	Total Treated	Relatives of Ely Emp	Per cent
Jan	91	16	17.5	96	26	27	159	31	19.4
Feb	90	16	17.5	103	12	11.5	118	12	10.1
March	121	18	14.8	102	14	13.7	157	39	24.8
April	128	15	11.7	120	22	18.3	141	28	19.8
May	134	22	16.4	115	17	14.9	153	13	8.4
June	106	15	14.3	133	20	15.2	142	22	15.4
July	135	18	13.3	125	23	18.4	155	21	13.5
August	146	23	14.3	138	25	17.9	158	32	20.2
Sept	114	18	11.4	120	24	20	137	19	13.8
Oct	129	30	23.2	138	25	18.2	152	32	21
Nov	123	26	21.9	135	18	13.3	153	21	13.7
Dec	107	13	12.1	138	25	18.1	175	35	20.
Total	1425	230	15.3	1463	251	17.2	1800	305	16.9

Medical Officer.

the Hospital for the last 3 years 1953, 1954, 1955

Month	1953 Total Treated	1953 Relapse Falciparum Only Cases	1953 Percentage	1954 Total Treated	1954 Relapse Falciparum Only Cases	1954 Percentage	1955 Total Treated	1955 Relapse Falciparum Only Cases	1955 Percentage
January	369	70	18 9	479	75	15.9	439	79	17.9
February	425	76	17 8	471	34	7.6	585	81	13 9
March	462	67	14 5	405	56	13.8	598	97	16 2
April	546	69	12 7	437	57	13.1	758	87	11 4
May	672	86	11 2	548	64	11.6	620	90	14 5
June	571	62	10 01	527	70	13.2	635	78	12 3
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Medical Officer,
110th I.W.A.S Hospital HUBLI
27/6/56

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

15th May, 1956.

My dear Dr. Mahajan,

Along with this letter please find a copy each of the letters that I have written for getting a grant from the Railways. One is a copy of the letter addressed to Mathuradas. The other is a copy of the letter addressed to the C.M.O. of the Southern Railway, Madras. Please keep these two copies with you. You need not say anything about it nor should you do anything about the contents of the letters. As I make progress I will write to you again on this subject.

I want you to prepare a report of the work done by your Midwifery School from the very beginning - say, from 1944. This should be divided into two portions, one a report of the school before the auxiliary training was taken up and the second after the auxiliary training was started.

It is now one year since you began the auxiliary nurses midwives training. You have made a good progress. What kind of progress is it? What do you think about it? I want you to write everything in detail in the report. Shamalabai has been writing and sending these reports to Dr. Vaidya. You have seen all of them. But I do not want only figures or facts. I want a complete and descriptive report. Shamalabai and yourself should sit together, think about it, jot down some points and then write on the same. I want you to keep the rough copy ready before the end of this month. When I come to Hubli you must show it to me. I will correct it and then we could get it typed and, if necessary, printed.

You had some time ago given all photographs to Mr. Managoli to prepare a photographic printed album just as the K.L.I. has got one ready through the courtsey of Shankarrao Kirloskar. What happened to it? Where is that? Are you after it? Please take up that work and entrust it to someone working under you in the hospital. Will

not Dr. Mrs. Rao take it up. As I do not want you to exert now immediately I am asking you to give this work to Mrs. Rao and the writing of the report to Dr. Mrs. Shamalabai.

I have nothing more to add for the present. I will write to you again. With love to all,

Yours affectionately,

N.S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
District Belgaum.

Camp BANGALORE 3.
19th June 56.

My dear Mama,

Your card dated 16th. Thanks. I have already written to you about our flying to Delhi. Please let me know the date on which you desire to leave Bombay. I am moving to fly with you on that date.

Your letter to Ganguthai has been received with thanks. It is too early for her to say anything about going to Kashmir in the month of August. She says that if it is in the latter part of August or earlier part of September she is willing to go. But in July, personally, I think it is not possible for us to leave Delhi in July or Even in August. At the beginning of September it may be possible for us to leave Delhi and go to Kashmir. However, We shall decide about it when we meet at Delhi.

My regards to Mai and children,

Your brother,

To

Mama Warerkar,
Haji Hasam Wadi,
Near French Breach,
Bombay 7.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
District Belgaum.

Camp BANGALORE 3,
19th June 56.

My dear Channabasaviah,

In spite of your wire and letters I have come here as decided before. I will stay here for two days only and will go back to Hubli. As you desired I am going to come here again the first week of July provided you allow me to go to Delhi by about the 8th of July. Please do write to me to my Hubli address.

The Chief Minister of Mysore is visiting some of the towns in Northern Karnataka I invited him to Ghataprabha. He has decided to come The dates are yet to be settled. Probably by about the first of July he will be there After he visits that place I will be free to move about in Mysore State It is my desire to visit atleast the Headquarters of Districts and some other important towns of this State. I will leave it to you to arrange the programme as usual

I am sure you have finished your work at Delhi. Whom did you meet there? If you had written to me earlier I could have given you some help. But as it was not possible for me to stay after the 31st of the last month, we could not meet in Delhi. Never mind.

With kind regards,

Yours brother,

To

Sri Rumale Channabasaviah,
19, Feroz Shah Road,
N E W D E L H I.

Dr. N.S. HARDIKAR.
ber of Parliament.
(Rajya Sabha)

Karnataka Health Institute,
Chataprabha,
District Belgaum.

Camp BANGALORE 3,
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My dear Cariappa,

The propoganda matter that you had sent to the Karnataka Health Institute has been received by me. Thanks for the same. If you have any other materials that you need to be distributed amongst either the patients or their relatives please do send the same to the Chief Medical Officer of the Institute and ask him to use it.

Has Dr. Benjamin seen and read the letter that I had given to you along with an accompanyment. If so, what did he say? I have not heard from him. I am anxious to know his opinion about it. If he wants to change anything in the letter please let me know. Please do remind him to write to me to care of Karnataka Health Institute, Chataprabha, District Belgaum. If not, you send his instructions to me.

How are You? How is Mrs. Cariappa and How are children? Please write.

With kind regards,

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Dr. M.S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
District Belgaum.

camp BANGALORE 3.
19th June 56.

My dear Mohan Rao,

I wrote to you on the 23rd of May regarding the printing work at the Adarsha Printery, Hubli. You did not reply at all. I am anxious to know what you have done regarding the work that you have given to us. Nothing is clear except for the order that we have received for the first pamphlet (Your Village and the Plan). No final step has been taken by your office and no instructions have been given to our office. Will you be good enough to write to me to my Hubli address and let me know as to what you intend to do in the matter.

500 copies of the book of Mr Adyarangachar were ordered to be sent to your office. Accordingly, the same was despatched. We were told by your office that the price of the book will be fixed and the amount would be sent to the Adarsha Printery. In January the copies were sent to your office. But the cost of the books has not yet been sent by your office to them. Would you please see that the same is sent to them as quick as possible.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

To

Mr. Mohan Rao,
35/17, Feroz Shah Road,
N e w D e l h i.

S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha,
District Belgaum.

Camp BANGALORE 3,
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My dear Mane,

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I am expected in New Delhi before the 11th of July. When I come there I will certainly get in touch with you and see that exactly what you have done. It is just possible thatI am learn something about the decision that your department takes even before my arrival in New Delhi.

With kind regards,

Your brother,

To

N.R. Mane,
Deputy Director (Welfare),
P & T Department,
16/32, East Patel Road,
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DR. N.S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Chataprabha.
District Belgaum.
(Southern Railways)
Camp BANGALORE 3,
20th June 56.

My dear Dr Ensminger,

Will you be good enough to send me some literature regarding Ford Foundation to my address given above I am anxious to study the work of the foundation Hence, the request.

With kind regards

Your brother,

To

Dr Ensminger
Director,
Ford Foundation,
Feroz Shah Road,
New Delhi.

Dr. N.S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute
Ghataprabha.
District Belgaum.
(Southern Railways.)

Camp BANGALORE 3.
20th June 56.

My dear Dr. Pundit,

I want you to send me some more literature on the Indian Council of Medical Research. I have with me a copy of the memorandum of Association, printed some time back with so many additions to various clauses. Also I have a copy with me entitled "Indian Research Fund Association", Annual report for the year 1949.

Besides these two, I do not have anything else. I will be very thankful to you if you will please send me a copy each of the literature that might have been published by the Indian Council of Medical Research. I want to study the work of the Council and know more about that organisation. You might have possibly know that I have been elected a member of this Council by the Rajya Sabha in its last session.

Please send the material to the address given above.

Your brother,

To

Dr. C.G. Pundit, M.B.B.S, P.Hd.
Secretary,
Indian Council of Medical Research,
P Block, New Delhi.

R. N.S. HARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute
Ghataprabha.
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With kind regards,

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To Balford

C. Balford,
Rockfeller Foundation,
Cecil Hotel,
Delhi

DR. N.S.HARDIKAR.

Karnatka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha.
District Belgaum.
(Southern Railways)
Camp BANGALORE 3.
20th June 56.

My dear Shamalabai,

I had told Mr. Mathuradas to call a meeting of the Governing Body on Sunday the 24th of this month If he has not done so yet he may call the meeting even on the 26th or 27th. Please do send this letter to his house with your note with Hanumanthappa so that he can take action. If it is possible for you you go to his house yourself or summon him to hospital when you are present there Before he calls the meeting I would like you to have a talk with him regarding items which are to be considered in the meeting. If you have anything to place before the meeting please do tell him If he chooses he will take your subjects on the Agenda.

I am seeing Lakshamma either to-day or to-morrow morning. I will have a talk about the selection of girls she did make. I will let you know the existof the talk when I come there.

Have you received any letter from Dr. Mahajan? Please let me know The girl who had come with me had gone to her house in Shaklespur. I have asked her to write to you, Ganguthai, after she reaches her home.

Have you submitted all the forms concession forms to the D.T S? Were they in order?

Your brother,

To

Dr. Shamalabai Bhagawat,
Women's Hospital,
HUBLI.

DR. N.S. KARDIKAR.

Karnataka Health Institute,
Ghataprabha.
District Belgaum.
(Southern Railways)

Camp BANGALORE 3,
20th June 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I reached Bangalore yesterday morning. I will be here for two days more. On the 22nd night I will leave for Hubli On Sunday the 24th I will be at Hubli, wholeday. It is just possible that on that day I will have to attend the meeting of the Governing body of the Women's Hospital. Mr. Mathuradas had told me that he will call the meeting on that day. Any way I will be in Hubli even on the 25th and may come to Ghataprabha after that day. I have some very important work to be done at Hubli. So I cannot afford to leave that city and until possibly the 27th or 28th. Any way I will write to you after I reach Hubli Whatever you will have to write after the 21st please do so to my Hubli Address.

Mr. Krishnamurthy Rao is not coming to Ghataprabha on the 23rd as promised before. He has changed the programme. He will be at Ghataprabha on the 29th night by mail, stay there on the 30th, 1st and 2nd and leave for Bombay on the 2nd night. I am sending a copy of his programme for your information.

How is Dr. Mahajan. How is Rama Rao Shevade? Please do write to me to Hubli

I am meeting Smt. Lakshamma sometime to-day. I will visit her office also I will have a talk with her regarding the selection of girls and also about the work that they have been doing here in this State. If I have to report anything after the talk I will do so in my tomorrow's letter.

Yours affectionately,

To
Dr. M.K. Vaidya,
Chief Medical Officer Karnataka Health Institute, Ghataprabha.

Southern Railway.

R.Jagannathan,
Dist.Traffic Supdt.

No.CN.15/56. Hubli: 27th June 1956.

Dear Dr.Hardikar,

Please refer to your letter dated 18th June regarding issue of concessions to nurses.

2. I was expecting you here on the 23rd or 24th and that was the reason why I did not reply to you earlier. After the 24th I had been on inspection tour and returned only today.

3. As regards the point referred to by you, from the provision in the Coaching Tariff as embodied in the standard form referred to in item 10 at pages 86-87 of the Tariff (which is the same as the one forwarded by you) and from the specific clause reproduced below, it is clear that the request should be made by the person who is actually being benefitted by the concession:

Specific clause:

"The form must be forwarded by the applicant for the concession to the Officer of the railway who will issue the necessary letter of authorisation."

I have however referred the matter to my headquarters Office, whether collective application by the head of the institution on behalf of several members, can be entertained.

4. As regards non-stamping I have given instructions to my Office that such technical defects can be rectified later and the concession orders can be issued. I understand that on that particular day the gentleman who presented the application said that he was not in a hurry and that he would get the concession forms stamped and submitted. I was not present on that day. If that gentleman had said that the forms were required immediately, my A.T.S(Movement) would have arranged for the issue of the concession orders.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. N.S.Hardikar,
Member of Parliament,
(Rajya Sabha), & Director of Karnatak
Ghatprabha. Health Institute,

Hoe & Co Madras

Dr. N.S. Hardikar.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 29, 1956.

My dear Jagannathan,

Excuse me for approaching you again.

I am anxious to know as to what you have done regarding re-modelling of the Ghataprabha Railway Station. I am sure you have not forgotten about it. We all met at Ghataprabha itself and discussed the necessity of a change in the existing station building and its yards.

I write about the T.T.Es. again.

(a) Why have not the T.T.Es. been classified as one belonging to the "running staff"? By keeping them away from that classification, don't you think that you are depriving them of the benefits that the other members of the "running staff" get? What crime have the T.T.Es. committed? I want to know? Personally I think this is discrimination, pure and simple, to deprive the T.T.Es. from getting benefits which are due to them.

(b) It has come to my notice that the T.T.Es. are not getting rest-room facilities in out-stations when they go on duty. Should they not get these facilities? Where should they live otherwise. If you want work from them you should give them enough rest every day. For rest they must have a place of their own where they can sit, lie down or ease themselves.

(c) It seems that in the case of some T.T.Es. annual increments have been postponed on account of their failure of maintaining average excess fare earnings at any cost. I want to ask you why are such punishments given when you can find out other methods of genuine work turned out by T.T.Es. Is your department trying other methods, I want to know?

Please pardon me for asking you these questions. I am sure you will understand as to why I write to you and not to the Ministry here. Hope you will excuse me for this trouble. I am sure you will reply to my letter early.

Your brother,

N.S. Hardikar

~~(N.S. Hardikar)~~

Shri R. Jagannathan,
Chief Traffic Superintendent,
Southern Railway, HUBLI.

Southern Railway.

R.Jagannathan,
D.T.S.

Hubli: 3rd September 1956.

No.CXA.39/55.

Dear Dr.Hardikar,

I am in receipt of your letter dated 29th August 1956.

2. My proposals in regard to additional facilities at Ghatprabha station have already been submitted to the R.T.S/Mysore alongwith detailed plans based on our joint inspection. I am requesting the RTS to advise as to the stage at which the matter rests.

3. As regards TTEs they are under the control of the R.T.S/Mysore and I am not therefore able to offer any remarks on the points raised in your letter. I am however forwarding a copy of your letter to the RTS for direct advise to you.

4. You have referred to the non-availability of rest rooms. I have to point out that rest rooms are available at a few stations on this District at which the TTEs also can take rest.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

Dr.N.S.Hardiker, M.P.
10, Akbar Road, New Delhi.

Ioe & Co., Madras.

P.T. PADMANABHAN,
RTS.

RTS's Office, Mysore
19th September, 56.

EF.50/54/I.

Dear Sir,

Further to Sri Jagannathan's (D.T.S. Hubli) letter No.CXA 39/55 dated 3rd September 1956, I have to state that I am precluded from entering into correspondence with non-officials on cases relating to disciplinary action against railway staff or in relation to their conditions of service. I trust you appreciate the position.

Yours faithfully,

Regional Traffic Supdt.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,
10 Akbar Road,
NEW DELHI.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10 Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

July 16, 1956.

My dear Ramu,

Herewith please find a letter addressed to me by the Collector of Dharwar. It speaks for itself. I am sure you have received some amount from Chataprabha for the purchase of those material. Vemu was asked by me to deduct the amount she had paid to the canteen for us. I forgot to write to you to take that amount from Bhau or from Gangutai. I want to adjust the account after I come there.

Is Dr. Mahajan's car running properly? I hope it is. I would like to see very much that Dr. Mahajan's car is sold. I want Gabriel's services to be transferred to Sardar Rangaswamy. This must be done by us as quick as possible.

Dr. Bhagwat is not there. She has gone on leave for 8 days. Did you recently go to the Hospital. I hope everything is o.k. there.

On the 19th or 20th I will be at Chataprabha. Please write to me to that address. If Gangutai desires to come to Chataprabha, I would like her to be there on the 19th. I must return to Dharwar on the 23rd morning as I have accepted an invitation to preside over the function in Hukkerikar's College.

Love to all,

Yours affly,

N.

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

17th May, 1956.

My dear Subba Rao,

Your letter of the 9th instant was received by me, along with the bundle of yarn, which was so kindly sent to me by you all. Yes, I was indeed very happy to receive best wishes from you all, dear youth campers of Vaiyam Palyam, on the occasion of my 67th birthday. Needless to say that it is a source of great pleasure for me to know that you had a heavy programme on the 7th of this month with Shramdan in the morning, entertainment, debate class, etc. - how enthusiastic and encouraging you are ! I am sure, being fully conscious of the ideal and the spirit of the Seva Dal organisation, all of you five officers will make the camp at Vaiyam Palyam a great success and infuse the same spirit and ideal into the hearts of your 52 trainees there and show the way to the other camps that may be conducted in various parts of India. Carry on, work selflessly, honestly and with courage and enthusiasm, I am sure, you will achieve your goal.

I wish you all, both the officers and the trainees, the best of luck in all your attempts. Please convey my love and regards to all the campers there.

Your brother,

Shri S.N. Subba Rao,
Camp Commandant,
All India Uch Sainik Camp,
Vaiyam Palyam,
COIMBATORE

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

May 20, 1956.

My dear Managoli,

I have your letter regarding the weekly. Thanks. You are correct. I did not understand your scheme of the new weekly. Therefore, I had to wire to Ramu and ask him to inform you not to change the policy of the weekly. I am glad you have responded to the instructions given.

I will certainly allow you to change and begin all anew, if you so desire. In so far as I am concerned I have and have nothing to do with it. The burden that I have to carry on my shoulders now is very heavy and I do not desire to add anything more to it. Instead of getting the whole thing minimised, we have gone on adding to the weight which is already top-heavy. So the only course left open for me is to stop the wastage that is now going on.

In so far as you are concerned, I have no objection, if you so desire, to begin a new weekly. But please remember that I do not like to be burdened. It is all very well to think and imagine a big profit, but I do not desire to depend on that profit and go on incurring further debts. If you earn anything it will be yours. The Trust will have nothing to do with it. Keep this in mind and you may continue to work on your new idea. You may get advertisements, get writers, get whatever you want for making your concern a lively and successful one. I have absolutely no objection. In doing so, however, you should remember that you have primary duty in the printery. The work of the printery should not suffer.

Yes, Mr. Mohare is here. But he has not said a word to me about you or your ideas. It is all very well that you have taken him in confidence; good for you. I hope he will be of use to you in your new venture.

I will be returning home before the end of the first week of June. Then I will have a talk with you about your ideas regarding the new weekly. I do not think that you have lost anything by peforming the pooja on "
" day. It is good you have taken the step, because you are thinking about the new venture. "thing wrong in it, not would the dieties be angry at you for not having started the weekly at the time when you had thought fit to beging.

With love to you all,

Your brother,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

23rd May, 1956.

My dear Mohan Rao,

I give below an extract from a letter that I have again received from the Manager of the Adarsha Printery, Hubli:-

"About three months ago a pamphlet entitled "Your Village and the Plan" was printed by us. Ten thousand copies were kept ready. Out of those 10,000, 4,500 copies were despatched to various places under instructions from the Assistant Business Manager, Publications Division, Ministry of I. & B., Delhi. 5,500 copies are still lying in our press. We have written to them without any effect".

"Another pamphlet is lying here in an unfinished condition. The cover paper for the same was to come from the Government, New Delhi. For this purpose they had demanded a deposit of Rs.400/-. This was the instruction of the Assistant Controller of Government Printing Press. A copy of the letter by the Assistant Controller regarding the deposit of Rs.400/- was sent by them to the Director of Information. In that letter the Assistant Controller had made the following remarks:-

> 'If, however, the paper has to be supplied to the printers in anticipation of their furnishing a reduced security the Publication Division may kindly obtain the paper from the United Press and despatch the same under their own responsibility'.

"A few days later we received a letter from the Office of Mr. Mohan Rao, in which they have again asked for a deposit of Rs.1,000/-, forgetting that they themselves had suggested a reduced deposit of Rs.400/-.

"Does this mean that unless we deposit Rs.1,000/- the Government Printing Press is not going to lift the printed material or give further instructions in regard to the half-finished work and that we have to suffer for no fault of ours?"

Dear Mohan Rao, this is what they have written to me. Take it for whatever worth it is. If you so desire, you reply to them, if not ask me not to accept any work that will be sent from this place.

Your brother,

N.S. Hardiker

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(RAILWAY BOARD.)

No. DS/Co-ord/4/56. New Delhi, the 23rd June, 1956.

To

Dr. N.S. Hardiker, M.P.,
10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi.

Sir,

In continuation of letter No.DS/Co-ord/4/56 dated 3.5.1956 from the Minister for Railways and Transpor addressed to you, I am directed to state that the position regarding electrification of Railway Stations in Karwar, Dharwar, Bijapur and Belgaum Districts of the Bombay State is indicated in the succeeding paras.

2. The following Railway Stations have already been electrified:-

(1) Hubli
(2) Dharwar
(3) Castle Rock,
(4) Belgaum,
(5) Gadag,
(6) Bagalkot.

3. The following stations are proposed for electrification during 1956-57:-

(1) Ranebennur,
(2) Haveri.

4. It is understood from the Bombay Electricity Board that electric supply is available at the following stations:-

(1) Karajgi,
(2) Dhandeli.

The question of electrifying these stations is being investigated.

5. At the following stations where electric supply is available, provision of electrical installation has been held over for the present due to the reasons indicated below:-

(1) Byadgi - The supply lines of the licensee are 1½ miles away from the Railway Station and the licensee has declined to extend distribution lines to the Railway Station at his cost.

(2) Bijapur - The existing supply which is D.C. is not considered reliable. The question of providing a Railway-owned generating plant is under consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Asap

Dr. N.S. Hardiker
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
(RAJYA SABHA)

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

12th July, 1956.

My dear Dr. Rao,

Yours. Thanks. Your brother Balfour Salem came to 10, Akbar Road on the 10th evening and met me. I had a talk with him. He will meet me again before I leave for Bombay. I will do all I can for him.

I am glad you are looking after the hospital work. It is indeed a great thing to realise that there are a number of things to be done in a hospital besides looking only after the patients. In order to minimise the sufferings of ailing people one has to attend to so many things and then give the necessary help and assistance that is required to the suffering humanity. Let me tell you that it is the money which makes the mare go. If you do not have it and if there is no chance of getting it is not at all possible to run any association much less a hospital of the type that you are now looking after. Yes, one may bring money also, but it is very difficult to spend it wisely and for the purpose for which it is meant. That is the reason why a number of people have to come together and cooperate with each other and carry on the day to day work. I am glad you have begun to realise the importance of the administrative side also.

Doctor, in a hospital we have to be always alert. I personally think that every person who works in a hospital ought to be conscientious worker. He or she has to deal with lives. It is a question of life and death in so far as the suffering persons are concerned. Hence unless a worker becomes conscientious, alert and active I do not believe that a hospital can run efficiently and can satisfy the wants of the ailing humanity. Besides being conscientious a worker has to offer his willing cooperation to the others who are similarly working in an institution of the type of the Women's Hospital. Without cooperation it becomes difficult to handle the various types of cases that come to the hospital. I am sure it is not necessary for me to write about these things. You must have gained sufficient experience by now. What I would like you to do is to study silently further and digest what little you can. I have heard many outsiders say that much gossip goes on in the hospital and that many of our own draw-backs are made too much of by those who are directly connected with the hospital. This is, I think, not only wrong but suicidal. We should know our defects, admit them, correct them and then we should march onwards boldly. If we do it in the manner in which I have said no one will ever criticise us and even if they do we should not mind them, because in that case our conscience will never bite us. The criticisms that are now levelled against the hospital are possibly due to the gossiping nature of some of us who possibly go out of the hospital and talk rot. I would like you to see that you put a stop to all kinds of gossiping in the hospital. I know it is very difficult, but we who know how to run the administration ought to learn the method of putting a stop to even such things as these.

Excuse me for giving you some additional work, but I do not consider that it will be troublesome for you to do it. You are not only a practising physician and surgeon but also a student yet and as a student you should learn.

Please do convey my loving regards to Dr. Rao.

Your brother,

Dr. N.S. Hardikar

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

14th July, 1956.

Dear brother,

Your letter dated 2-7-56 No.B-5-266 from Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad, has reached me a few days ago when I was at Hubli. Thanks.

You have given me a shock by sending a bill for Rs.210/13/3. I do not know how you have charged for the sarees that you sent. You have not written a single letter though I wrote a number of times not only to you, not only to Mr. Inamdar of the Karnatak Khadi Samiti, but also to Dr. and Mrs. Melkote. I had demanded a bill as soon as the sarees were received by me at Hubli. Bills for the same never came, though I asked for them and now nearly after a year you are sending the bill without mentioning the number of sarees and the cost of each. Now at least I request you to let me have the cost of each saree that you have sent. Please do not delay. I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. and Mrs. Melkote for their information. I will not be here for more than four days. Therefore, please write to me to the c/o Karnatak Health Institute, Ghataprabha, Distt. Belgaum and let me have the bill. In case you delay to send the same to the address given above, please send your bill to me to Hubli.

Your brother,

J. Kumaradevi

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 2, 1956.

My dear Mangooli,

Bhau must have given you a copy of the order that I had passed regarding the Jai Hind Weekly; also regarding stock-taking work.

I am sure Mr. L.A. Desai has seen you or you have seen him. Please see that you submit your report to him at the end of this month. Mr. Desai will give you a draft of the notice of suspension of Jai Hind. Please see that it is published. All that is to be done after announcing suspension should be attended to by you. You are a Journalist and an administrator of journals. You know what to do and how to satisfy the clients. As you take steps in this matter you should inform Mr. L.A. Desai and also write to me.

I hope you take the help of Mr. Karegudri and Bhau in attending to the work that is now allotted to you.

Your brother,

Mr. S.B. Mangooli,
Adarsha Printery,
HUBLI. (S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 2, 1956.

My dear Bhau,

On the 31st I have written a card to Gangutai. It must be in her hands now.

I had asked Vatsala to send the two tins which Gangutai had sent to her on her birthday (8th of July) back to her with Shakuntala Dani who was going to Hubli with the batch of trainees. Did she get it? Please let me know.

Did you give a copy of the order that I have passed to Mr. Mangooli? I am now writing to him separately. Please hand over the same to him.

The Liquidator of the Bharat Mills will send you the amount possibly by the end of this month. Most of the creditors will get their amounts, I am sure, before the end of August.

Is Mr. L.A. Desai coming to the office? Has he asked any more information; if so, have you given it to him. Whenever you like you can go to him and take his advice. I hope he too will have a talk with Mr. Mangooli.

Have you sent Rs.400/- to the Controller of Printing Press here, in Delhi? I had written to you about it. I forgot to ask you when I was in Hubli. Please write to me immediately about this. I will meet Mr. Mohan Rao in a day or two and try to settle the matter. Have you received the cover paper from Delhi?

How are the children at home? Has Bapu gone? How is Arvind? Please write to me about the household affairs.

Yours affly,

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 3, 1956.

My dear daughter Kamala,

Yours of the 17th July. Thanks. I am glad you are getti g better. I hope you will soon be up and be yourself again.

It has pained me to see the apologitic tone in your letter. Why ask for excuse? You have not troubled me. If I had thought that you are troubling me I would not have given you my time, nor would I have written to you or answered your letters. Don't be so apologitic. You have done no wrong to claim time of a person whom you respect as father, is perfectly all right. Then why should you or Guru feel that you were unnecessarily troubling me. I have claims over both of you. I demand some of your time. I want Guru and you to understand it. What do you mean by saying, "I could not include reverence (there true respect of course) in my behaviour towards you. I am sure you have already forgiven; otherwise take me to task as you took the other person at Vidhana Soudha"? What is this Kamala? What reverence can you [redacted] me and how could you have shown it? You did not dance on my head, nor did you or Guru speak to me at random in a disrespectful manner. Such being the case what is there to forgive you and why do you ask that forgiveness? Don't you thaink that a letter like this from a loving daughter like you should pain me. Speak to Guru that he is doing me injustice.

I am here in Delhi for a month more. Even if I go out for a day or two I will return to attend Parliament. So, be writing to this address.

With loving regards to you, to Guru and to the children,

Yours affly,

Smt. Kamala Guru,
c/o Shri S.R. Guru, M.L.C.,
DODDABALLAPUR.
Bangalore District.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,
August 3, 1956.

My dear Wadilal,

Please find herewith a copy of the letter that I have addressed to Mr. Ramakrishna Bajaj. It speaks for itself. I am sure you will do the needful in the matter and see that Mr. Bajaj helps Inamdar in every possible manner.

If you so desire I am willing to write to some selected friends in the country and ask them to send some money for helping Inamdar in Europe. I wont take any move unless you say so as you have already told me that about Rs.1,000/- have already been promised and nearly half of it are in your hands.

I want you to find out whether Padmaben has sent Rs.100/- which she had promised to Dr. Hardiker's Diamond Jubilee Trust. I remember to have heard that she had sent the amount, but to whom I do not know. Please let me know after consulting her.

With regards,

Your brother,

Shri Wadilal Patel,
C.O.C., Congress House,
Girgaum, BOMBAY-4.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 5, 1956.

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I am sending herewith a copy of the tour programme of Mr. Iyer. On the 9th morning by the Express he will be passing through your station. He will be sleeping then just as you would be. So, there is no need of my telling you to go there and wake him up. That will be troublesome for both of you.

I have received your letter from Bombay. I am expecting your letter in detail tomorrow. Possibly you might have written yesterday after you reached Ghataprabha.

How are the rains there? The paper reports say that all over Bombay State there have been floods. Is it so in Ghataprabha? Has Ghataprabha river overflowed? I am anxious to know.

What has happened about the applications that you had submitted? Did you hear from the Collector? Are the people ready to do something for us; or have they filed the applications that you had sent? If it is possible for me to do anything on this side, let me know. Personally, I do not want to move.

My love to the children and Vatsala,

Yours affly,

NSH

Dr. H.S. Hardikar.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 5, 1956.

My dear Raja Bhau,

Mr. A.S.E. Iyer, the Managing Director of the Small Industries Corporation, will be in Harihar on the 8th of this month. He reaches Harihar by the Bangalore-Poona Mail at 6.38 hrs. He is scheduled to leave Harihar for Satara the same day at 19.10 hrs. by Poona Express. As he has no time it is not possible for him to halt at Hubli. I have requested him to leave Harihar in the afternoon at about 4, reach Hubli by about 6 or 6.30 and then take his Express train at night for Satara; but how can he do this? He has to go to Hubli by car from Harihar. Will you be good enough to give your car to him to proceed to Hubli the same afternoon so that he can spend at least three hours and do some work there? Also I want him to be with the Shevades. I am sure you will not refuse to do it. Please find herewith enclosed a copy of the tour programme of Mr. Iyer.

How is everybody at home? My regards to all

Your brother,

NVG

Shri R.L. Kirloskar,
Kirloskars Ltd., Yantrapur P.O.
HARIHAR. (S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 5, 1956.

My dear Ramu,

Please find herewith a copy of the letter that I have written to Mr. Raja Bhau Kirloskar of Haribar, regarding Mr. Iyer. I want him to stay at Hubli at least for three hours and take the night train for Satara.

I have already told you of the request of Mr. Iyer about rice. As he is coming there, you can now have a talk with him. He wanted a bag of good rice. I do not know what he will say now when he sees you. Anyway you can have a talk with him about it.

If you so desire as soon as you get this letter on Tuesday wire to Mr. Kirloskar and ask him to send Iyer by car. You can have a talk with Raja Bhau on telephone on the 7th night. I think telephoning is better than wiring. After all it costs the same. If Mr. Iyer does not come by car you will have to go at night to the station and meet him.

If there is anything to be sent with Iyer for me, do so. How are the children at home? My love to them all.

Yours affly,

JNM

Shri R.K. Shevade,
HUBLI. (S. Railway)

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 6, 1956.

My dear Jayanta Rao,

We do not know each other. I am a disciple of Lokmanya Tilak. I am sering the country from 1905. This much of information about me is enough, I am sure, for you to know who I am.

In connection with the centenary birthday celebrations of Lokmanya Tilak, a number of articles in almost all languages of India have been published. It is my sincere desire to see that the best of these articles from every language in the country including the English are selected and published in book-forms. This will add to the regional language literature. Such addition is absolutely necessary for the growing generation. I know this suggestion of mine is bound to entail some expenditure. I think, in the interest of the country, we shall have to shoulder that burden. The "how" of it is to be decided by you and your colleagues.

Excuse me for taking this kind of liberty of writing to you. May I expect a line in reply?

Your Brother,

Mr. Jayanta Rao Tilak,
Editor, "Kesari",
POONA.

Dr. N.S. Hardiker.

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi,

August 6, 1956.

My dear Inamdar,

Your letter of the 25th reached me here on the 3rd of this month. It was re-directed from Hubli. I have not received the card you have referred to in this letter of yours. I do not know where it went.

I have also seen your letter of the 1st to Susil Babu in which you have written to Tarabai also. Thanks for these letters.

On the 30th Wadilal did give me a copy of your programme. I wanted to write to you then only, but as you had not given any idea of your whereabouts, between the 3rd and the 24th of this month, we thought it best not to write to you immediately, but to wait until we heard again from you. Now that you have given your address we thought that we should take a chance of writing to that address. I am sure you will get the same in time.

I am glad you had a good journey to London. It might have been a little troublesome to you to change in two different places; but that is also a good experience which you ought to have in life, and you had it. Possibly, while coming back you may come straight to India without any change anywhere.

As I have already said before you left, this visit of yours to Europe and the U.K. ought to produce some good results in the working of your organisation of this country. Of course, it is not possible for us to take everything as it is from the Western countries. Circumstances in our land are altogether different from those in Europe. We have to look to our own and plan things for ourselves in the light of our past and the present. It is not necessary for me to say all these things to you, because, I know what you are.

The conference which was inaugurated by Mr. Atlee must have been an eye-opener. I am glad you were one of the good speakers and you got ~~sabhasgiri~~ "Shabaski" at the hands

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~~Asha~~ the Advisor of the Conference,

I am sure you have come in contact with most of the representatives who came from the 27 countries. Have you taken down their personal addresses? Don't forget that you will have to keep in touch with these if at all you mean to do something along your own lines in this world. I am sure you have kept notes. If I were you, I will keep close contact with the best of the lot and try to develop friendship with them. I do not know whether you have a camera with you. I would suggest you to purchase one and take photographs. I have already told you that you should not stand on ceremony in asking money. Mr. Ramakrishna Bajaj will be there. If you wish you can take money from him for making a purchase of camera and other articles. I have written to him and also spoken ~~with~~ to him. He is leaving on the 9th and will be meeting you at Berlin.

Yes! You must be finding difficulty in food, but after all what is there? Whatever you get you eat and try to live. It is not necessary at all to take non-vegetarian food. You can ~~even~~ live on milk, cheese and fruits which you get in plenty in any of these European countries.

In your letter to Susil Babu you say that you ~~get~~ are tired of London. Oh! so quick as that. People go to London to spend their lives there and you get tired of that Metropolitan City so quick. I also read that you sang a song (Hindi) to the delegates. Did the delegates sit there to hear or did they run away? I told Tarabai that as soon as you returned to Delhi we should hold a conference in which you will be the chief singer.

Please find herewith Tarabai's letter. I am purposely asking her to write it and send it along with this. All at your home are o.k. Don't think of this side. Think only as to what you can imbibe and bring home along with you.

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

My dear Inamdar,

Your letter of the 25th reached me here on the 3rd of this month. It was redirected from Hubli. I have not received the card you have referred to in this letter of yours. I do not know whether

Dr. N.S. Hardikar,

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

6th August, 1956.

My dear Ramakrishnan,

Your letter dated July 31, addressed to the Congress Seva Dal, Hubli, has been redirected to this address. I will go through the article "As I look back" and will then let you know what I would do. Have you printed any other articles on this subject besides the one now sent to me? If so, please send me one or two copies of the same. I want to get an idea as to what exactly you want from the writers.

Your brother,

JAWAHARLAL

Shri S. Ramakrishnan,
Editor, Bhava Journal,
Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan,
Choupatty Road,
BOMBAY - 7

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

8th August, 1956

My dear Dr. Vaidya,

I have two letters of Vatsala, one dated 31st or 1st and the second dated the 6th, along with the latter is kept a copy each of the letter addressed to the Chairman, B.S.S.W.A. Board and a letter from her.

Evidently you have returned on the 5th. I do not know whether you were able to see all our friends including Mr. Nimbkar at Bombay. I am sure you have finished your work. I have received one letter from you from Bombay.

Please find herewith a copy each of the letters received by me: (1) Dr. Benjamin, New Delhi and (2) Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova, Ottawa (Canada). You will please go through both these letters carefully and give replies to both of them. I would like you to send the same to me here so that I will be in a position to handle both the questions.

I have not yet either written to Mrs. Durgabai Deshmukh or seen her. As soon as I write to her in reply to the letter that we had received, I will send you a copy for your information. I am sending a copy of the same to Mr. Bhimrao also, as we may have to take up this question in the Governing Body of K.H.I.

On Saturday last your office has received a telegram from Mr. Mane one of the Directors of the P. & T. Department, New Delhi. Mr. Mane has wired to the P.M.G. of Bombay also. Yesterday Mr. Marathe, Mr. Mane and myself have discussed various problems connected with the reservation of 20 beds in our sanatorium. The most important of these problems are: (1) From the 15th of August, 1956 at least for the period of one year the Government will have to pay the Karnatak Health Institute Rs.125/- per month each for 20 beds, whether the beds are occupied by their patients or not. In addition to the Rs.125/- the items for which bills shall be sent by the K.H.I. have been mentioned in the original letters written by the C.M.O. (2) Bills should be sent by K.H.I. to the P.M.G., Bombay, every month. (3) All complaints of the patients from the P. & T. Department should be attended to by the nearest Postal Superintendent of the division where the sanatorium is located, i.e. Belgaum. (4) The P.M.G. of Bombay should be asked to send someone to Ghataprabha on the 14th or 15th of this month and satisfy himself about the reservation of beds for them. (5) Whenever necessary I should approach the higher authorities of P. & T. Department, Delhi and appraise them of the situation at Ghataprabha.

As soon as you make the necessary arrangements for the reservation, please do write to the P.M.G. of Bombay ~~and will deal with the last point (No.5) mentioned above.~~ Please see that you give clear instructions to the ~~XXXXXX~~ Accountant and also to the Doctor in charge of the Sanatorium to keep clear and separate accounts. I would also like you to see that separate P. & T. files regarding correspondence, etc. are created. Also I want you to send for the Canteen Manager, give him the menu that you want without depending

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upon either Dr. Anantarao or anyone else and warn the Manager to be strict in all matters. Otherwise he will be taken to task.

In so far as Dwarka is concerned, I want you to see that she is trained there before she leaves for Delhi in the month of October or at the end of September. In the meantime please see that all the necessary certificates are obtained and sent to Dr. Mrs. Bhatia. However, you should not withhold the application for admission for getting the certificates.

With love to Vatsala and the children,

Yours affectionately,

Narayan

10, Akbar Road,
New Delhi

12th August, 1956

My dear Shamabai,

Last month I had asked the Ghataprabha batch of trainees to write an essay on "What Have I learnt during the period of my training here". The following twelve girls have submitted their essays:-

1. Shakuntala Dani	2. Kumud Mahajani
3. S.M. Kulkarni	4. Suman Puranik
5. T.S. Ranbhise	6. Sonu Yamanappa Awale
7. K.R. Pardeshi	8. Seeta Bhukebag
9. L.V. Shirgaonkar	10. Pramila B. Kale
11. Shalini R. Eksambe	12. V.S. Bandivadekar.

It seems the remaining three did not write. I know H. Shakuntal and Miss Jadhav are the two who did not write. Who is the third one? Please find out and ask all these three to write on that subject immediately. I want the same to be sent to me so that I will be in a position to know just exactly what all of them have picked up in Ghataprabha. After I read the three that I will get I will write to you in detail about the merit of each which should be told to them.

I have already requested you to ask them to write a description of their trip to Hubli from Ghataprabha, what all happened on the day on which they left Ghataprabha and on the day on which they reached Hubli. Both these occasions should be included in the description of the trip. Give them papers and tell them to write on one side only leaving 1/4th margin.

I hope they are writing their diaries regularly. Please insist upon it and go on examining the same every eighth day. What about the prayers? They should be con-

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ducted both the times early morning and before they go to bed.

I hope everything else is O.K.

Your brother,